## Benefits for Service-Connected Disabled Veterans

#### 0% to 20%

- Certificate of Eligibility for VA home loan
- Waiver of VA funding fee for VA home loan (10% or higher)
- VA medical care; priority group 3. No cost care for service connected issues. (10% or higher)
- VA Health Identification Card (VHIC). *Request card at VA medical center.*
- 10 point Veteran preference in federal hiring
- Burial and Plot allowance (10% or higher)
- Access to military posts, including MWR, PX, Exchange, Commissaries.
- Clothing allowance for veterans who use or wear a prescribed, from their VA physician, prosthetic (knee brace) or orthopedic appliance (artificial limb) or use of prescribed medication for skin conditions, which tend to wear, tear, or soil clothing. **Must be a service-connected issue**. *Contact VA prosthetics department for details*.
- Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment. MUST BE AT LEAST 10%

#### 30% to 40% In addition to the above:

- Additional stipend for dependents. (Spouse, children, step-children, helpless children, full time students between the ages of 18-23 and dependent parents) *Remember to inform VA of any changes in dependent status.*
- Additional stipend for spouse who is in need of Aid and Attendance. *Submit 21-2680 for the spouse.*
- VA medical health care priority group 2.
- Travel allowance for scheduled appointments at VA medical center.

#### 50% In additional to the above:

- No cost health care and prescription medication; except dental and vision. Priority group 1.
- CRDP for retired veterans. Retired veterans will receive full VA disability and full DOD retirement.

#### 60% to 90% In additional to the above:

- Eligible to apply for individual unemployability (IU). *Must be unemployable due to service-connected disabilities.* (60% in one issue, OR 40% in one issue with overall at least 70%)
- VA health care is obligated to pay the full cost of nursing home services for SC veterans with **70% or greater.**

### 100% In additional to the above:

- Dental treatment with VA medical (800-228-4973)
- Waiver of National Service Life Insurance, total disability income provisions. *Please review VA* form 29-4364 or call 800-669-8477
- Veteran employment preference for spouse.
- DOD ID card, or uniformed services ID card. *Contact Nashville National Guard base at 615-313-0594 to make an appointment.*

100% Permanent & Total In addition to the above:

- Civilian Health and Medical Program for qualifying dependents and survivors (ChampVA). To apply please fill out VA form 10-10D and VA Form 10-7959c. You can contact ChampVA at 800-733-8387
- Dependents Education Assistance, Chapter 35. VA form 22-5490.
- If you have one issue rated at 100% with an additional separate 60% service connected rating you could qualify for the housebound stipend.
- US Department of Education offers Federal Student Aid loan forgiveness for specific loans for P&T Veterans. For additional information, call 888-303-7818 Apply at <u>https://secure.disabilitydischarge.com/registration</u>

Service connected veterans with loss, or permanent loss of use of foot, hands, vision, severe burn, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis or ankyloses in knee or hip. Please visit va.gov for additional information on the following benefits.

- VA automobile allowance and adaptive equipment
- Housing grants and specially adapted housing grant

#### State Tennessee Benefits

https://www.tn.gov/veteran/veteran-benefits/tn-state-benefits.html

- Property tax relief for 100% P&T Veterans and surviving spouses. Visit your county office.
- One-time \$10 fee for hunting and fishing license with TWRA for SC Veterans
- Free admission into National Parks. <u>https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/veterans-and-gold-star-families-free-access.htm</u>
- Admission into Tennessee Veteran Home for nursing care
- Burial in TN state Veteran cemeteries
- State Veteran preference for employment. *Must have honorable discharged.*
- Veteran endorsement on driver's license. *Must have honorable discharge*.
- Highway for Heros Program, possible CDL for service members and veterans. <u>https://www.tn.gov/content/tn/safety/driver-services/h4h.html</u>

# **Surviving Dependent Benefit**

In order for the Veterans' surviving dependent to receive Dependency & Indemnity Compensation (DIC), after the Veteran passes, the Veterans' service-connected disability **must be listed on the death certificate** or the Veteran was rated P&T for at least 10 years!