**VA Health and Benefits mobile app – six essential facts**

**Intro Text:** About 2 million Veterans who want the convenience of an easy app on their smartphones are downloading VA’s Health and Benefits mobile app.

**Image Suggested Alt Text:** VA Health and Benefits mobile app features.

The [VA Health and Benefits](https://mobile.va.gov/app/va-health-and-benefits) mobile app has about 2 million users since VA launched it in 2021. Many thousands of users have reviewed the app since launch, giving it an average rating of 4.8 out of 5 stars on the [Apple App Store](https://apps.apple.com/app/apple-store/id1559609596?pt=545860&ct=gov.va.blogs.vantage&mt=8) and 4.6 out of 5 on the [Google Play Store](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=gov.va.mobileapp&referrer=utm_source%3Dgov.va.blogs.vantage%26utm_medium%3Dblog%26utm_campaign%3Dvantage).

“*Lovely format, very user friendly and updated regularly. Recommend using this app instead of the actual site. Keep up the good work developers :)"* – Feedback from one Veteran reviewer in a Google Play Store review, 12/13/21

**VA wants to raise awareness among Veterans.** Here are six essential facts to know.

1. **Proof of Veteran status**

At local stores and restaurants Veterans when logged into the VA Health and Benefits mobile app, can easily show status for Veteran discounts and services without any paperwork. It’s easy and convenient.

1. **Easy Login**

Log in with FaceID or fingerprint

1. **Manage health care and prescriptions on the go**

The app allows Veterans:

* View and cancel your health care appointments
* View, track, and refill VA-dispensed prescriptions
* Send and receive secure messages from providers
* View claims and appeals status and upload supporting documents
* Get your vaccine records anywhere, anytime
* Access the [Veterans Crisis Line](https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/)—right from your phone

The ability to send secure messaging is one feature Veterans have told us they really like.

1. **Manage Disability Claims and Appeals**

Veterans can view the status of VA Disability Claims and Appeals, and upload documents easily to send to VA related to their claim.

1. **View VA Payments**

A Payments feature rolled out in April 2022, in the app. It allows Veterans to view Disability Compensation, Pension, and Education payments.

1. **Upcoming Features**

VA is continually adding more features to the app. Stay tuned for these new features already in the works:

* View lab and test results
* Travel pay reimbursement

**How to download the app?**

Visit [VA Health and Benefits mobile app](https://mobile.va.gov/app/va-health-and-benefits).

For more information about VA health care and benefits, including learning about health care services, memorial services, and other benefits available to you as a Veteran and possibly for your family and caregiver, [visit VA’s website](https://www.va.gov/).