

## Newsflash 23-05

## PACT Act Expands VA Health Care & Benefits WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

**FAST FACTS:** As a result of the PACT Act, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) expanded health care and benefits for veterans exposed to toxic substances and their surviving family members. This expansion adds more presumptive conditions from exposure to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other hazards. Veterans of the Vietnam, Gulf War, and post-9/11 eras are also included in this expansion. To apply or learn more, please visit <u>https://www.va.gov/resources/the-pact-act-and-your-va-benefits/</u>; or call 1-800-MY-VA-411.

**OUTREACH CAMPAIGN:** The VA is conducting a nationwide outreach campaign during the month of July to spread awareness. Those with Pentagon access may attend the PACT Act Fair on July 26, 2023, 9:00am – 1:30pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, APEX at Corridor 1 and 2. This fair is hosted by the VA and DoD and will include on-site toxic exposure screenings, checks of VA claims, and more!

Additional information on the PACT Act and Fair is provided on the enclosed DCPAS Message 2023070.

## **Questions?**

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