

**Kings County  
Military and Veterans Coalition  
January 11, 2022, 2pm PST**

**Zoom Meeting Agenda**

**Meeting ID: 990 6902 3992 Pass Code: 430175**

**Join by Telephone**

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**Introductions**

**Previous Items**

- **Veterans Service Office Status – M-F, 8am – 5pm**
  - **Lobby Hours:**
  - **Monday & Wednesday - 8:30 am -11:30 am and Tuesday & Thursday - 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm**
  - *We are however, still serving clients via phone, email and internet conferencing applications. Certain questions may be answered by support staff, without having to speak with a VSR. Feel free to call anytime to ask for assistance. The Kings County Veterans Service Office can still complete the DMV Veteran Status Verification Form (VSD-001) for the Veteran Designation on your California driver's license/ID Card. We are once again issuing the locally-generated Veteran I.D. cards to honorably discharged Veterans.*
  
- **VA Covid Vaccine Update**
  - All Veteran, spouses and caregivers are eligible to be vaccinated and get boosters at the VAMC Fresno
  - <https://www.countyofkings.com/departments/health-welfare/public-health/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/covid-19-vaccine-information>
  
- **VA Covid-19 Vaccines– (See Attached)**
  
- **Work Study Flyer – (See Attached)**

**Guest Presenter:**

- **National Cemetery Administration - Bakersfield National Cemetery**

**New Items**

- – **CALVET Missing and Murdered Indigenous People Webinar (See Attached)**

**Round Table –**

**Next Meeting – February 8, 2022 – Location: Zoom Meeting**



**Are you a Veteran using your  
Education Benefits?**

**Come Apply to be a VA Work Study!**

**Requirements**

- Be an eligible Veteran receiving VA Education Benefits
- Be enrolled full time or  $\frac{3}{4}$  time in approved VA Program

**Hours and Wages**

- Monday/Wednesday 0800-1200
- Tuesday/Thursday 1200-1700
- Fridays Off
- \$14.00/hour (Tax Free)

**Contact**

For additional information contact Codi Pennington at  
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## How to get a COVID-19 vaccine at VA

We encourage you to get your vaccine as soon as you can. It's the best way to protect yourself, your family, and your community against COVID-19. This is especially important as new forms (or "variants") of the coronavirus spread more quickly in the U.S.

### How to get your first or second vaccine dose

- Find a VA health facility that offers walk-in hours at their COVID-19 vaccine clinic. Not all facilities offer walk-in hours. Be sure to check the facility's website for walk-in hours before you go. When you arrive, you may need to wait for the staff to prepare your vaccine.
- Or call a VA health facility that offers COVID-19 vaccines to schedule an appointment. Our staff will help you find a time that's convenient for you.

### Here's what to know before you arrive:

- You must receive the same vaccine for your initial vaccine series. Both the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines require 2 doses to be effective. You must receive the same type of vaccine for both doses. Not all VA health facilities have both vaccines right now. And facilities may offer different vaccines at different times. Confirm that the facility has the vaccine you need before you come in to get your vaccine.
- If you don't receive care at VA, we encourage you to pre-register online at least 1 hour before you go to a walk-in clinic. This will save you time when you arrive.  
[Sign up to get a COVID-19 vaccine at VA](#)
- If you got your first vaccine dose outside of VA, you can still get your second dose at VA.
- Everyone who enters a VA facility must wear a mask and complete our COVID-19 symptom screening.

### [Find VA facilities near you that offer COVID-19 vaccines](#)

### How to get your booster shot or additional dose

We now offer COVID-19 booster shots to people who are eligible based on CDC recommendations. We offer additional vaccine doses only to certain groups of people with weakened immune systems.

### [Learn more about booster shots and additional doses](#)

## Latest updates on booster shots and additional doses

We encourage everyone who is eligible to come in for a COVID-19 booster or additional dose now. We follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance on booster shots and additional doses:

- Everyone who is at least 18 years old should get a booster shot. If you're at least 18 years old, you can choose which vaccine to get for your booster dose. The CDC strongly recommends getting either the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna vaccine.
- Teens ages 16 and 17 can also now get a booster shot. These teens can only get the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine. Not all VA health facilities may offer vaccines to teens under age 18.
- Certain groups of people with weakened immune systems who received either the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine should get an additional dose of the vaccine. You must get the same vaccine for all 3 doses. You should get your third shot first. You should then also get your booster 6 months after your third shot.

Note: Not all VA health facilities have all types of vaccines right now. And facilities may offer different vaccines at different times. Confirm that the facility has the vaccine you want before you come in to get your vaccine.

[Learn more about booster shots and additional doses](#)

Who can get a COVID-19 vaccine at VA

We offer COVID-19 vaccines to these groups:

- All Veterans (including Veterans who live or travel outside of the U.S. and are eligible for the [VA Foreign Medical Program](#))
- Spouses and surviving spouses of Veterans
- Caregivers of Veterans (including family members or friends who provide care to a Veteran)
- Recipients of Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (CHAMPVA) benefits

# CALOVET


California Department  
of Veterans Affairs

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January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Register: <https://conta.cc/3GxBmzp>

## Missing and Murdered Indigenous People



California Department  
of Veterans Affairs

**January 20, 2022 11:30-1 p.m.**

The CalVet Minority and Underrepresented Veterans Division is hosting an informational webinar during National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month to bring awareness, resources, and tools to Veteran Resource Providers regarding the human rights crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous People. This webinar will bring together national, state, and tribal leaders to discuss how the veteran community can best support the efforts of connecting Native American veteran survivors and their families to resources and benefits.

**Registration Link:**  
<https://conta.cc/3GxBmzp>

