

## **CHAMP VA Health Care**

CHAMPVA is a health benefits program in which the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) shares the cost of certain health care services and supplies with eligible beneficiaries . CHAMPVA is managed by the VA's Health Administration Center (HAC) in Denver, Colorado. They process CHAMPVA application, determine eligibility, authorize benefits, and process medical claims.

Who is Eligible for CHAMPVA?

To be eligible for CHAMPVA, the beneficiary cannot be eligible for TRICARE.

CHAMPVA provides coverage to the spouse or widow(er) and to the children of a veteran who:

The veteran is permanently and totally disabled (P&T) because of an adjudicated service-connected disability.

The veteran died as a result of an adjudicated service-connected disability or who at the time of death was rated Permanently and Totally disabled.

The Veteran died while in an active duty status and in the line of duty, not due to misconduct. The term "Active Duty" may include periods of inactive duty for training.

Effective 1 October 2001, CHAMPVA benefits were extended to beneficiaries age 65 and older. To be eligible, you must also meet the following conditions:

If the beneficiary was 65 or older prior to 5 June 2001, and was otherwise eligible for CHAMPVA, and was entitled to Medicare Part A coverage, then the beneficiary will be eligible for CHAMPVA without have to have Medicare Part B coverage.

If the beneficiary turned 65 before 5 June 2001, and has Medicare Parts A and B, the beneficiary must keep both Parts to be eligible.

If the beneficiary turned age 65 on or after 5 June 2001, the beneficiary must be enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B to be eligible.

To receive more information and an application contact the following:

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