

Warren County Veterans Service Officer's Report for May 2010

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Emergency Care Now Reimbursable~

A new law enacted Feb. 1st, will reimburse veterans for emergency health care at Non-VA facilities. The string attached is that the emergency services MUST have occurred from a car accident. I am however, working with someone in Albany in order to submit for emergency services where it is directly related to a service connected disability. If you have paid or still have outstanding Non-VA facility charges for emergency health care and meet the reason for such services criteria listed above. Please ask those providers for a UB (facility charges) or HCEA 1500 Form (physician charges). I will assist you with the VA process for possibly returning some of those non-reimbursable medical expenses back to you.



VA recognizes "PRESUMPTIVE" illnesses in Iraq, Afghanistan ~ The VA is publishing a proposed regulation in the Federal Register that will establish new presumptions of service connection for nine specific infectious diseases associated with military service in Southwest Asia during the Persian Gulf War, or in Afghanistan on or after September 19, 2001.



Brucellosis

Nontyphoid Salmonellas

Campylobacter jejuni

Shigella

Coxiella burnetii (Q Fever)

Visceral leishmaniasis

Malaria

West Nile virus

Mycobacterium tuberculosis



Grave Markers~

I am still working on getting grave markers here to support your efforts for the upcoming Memorial Day Services. Right now I have a supply of every era except WWII. My hopes are that the distributor will be able to have the WWII markers here before that weekend. If not I will make sure each of you are called as soon as they arrive.



Remembering All Our Fallen Heroes This Memorial Day~