Require VA Physicians To Provide Medical Opinions For Veterans Seeking Assistance For A

VA Disability Compensation Claim

WHEREAS, through the proper training, education, and utilization of the DBQs the VHA primary and specialty care providers will have the knowledge to accurately complete the DBQs; and

WHEREAS, some Directors of the VHA instruct the VHA primary and specialty care providers to not complete the DBQs for the veterans due to conflict of interest; and

WHEREAS, the VHA primary and specialty care providers are the best qualified to complete the DBQ's accurately due to the history of the providers have with the veterans' vs a random physician not having all the needed medical evidence or knowledge in a particular field; and

WHEREAS, having the VHA primary and specialty care providers complete the DBQs, it will free up more time for the VBA with fewer appeals, reconsiderations, and disgruntled veterans;

WHEREAS, the above is amended in Resolution No. 225; NOW

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that DAV in National Convention assembled in Orlando, Florida, August 3 thru August 6, seeks to ensure improvement in the VHA director, primary and specialty providers understand the importance having the DBQs complete which will assist the veterans claim and adhere to the law administered by the Secretary.

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