

Avery Veterans' Corner

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It's Here! The Improved My HealtheVet website

We are proud to announce the release of our newly redesigned website is officially here. It is designed to reflect veteran needs and adopts the U.S. Web Design Standards to improve the online experience.

Immediately veterans will see new site features such as colors and a leaner, cleaner appearance. veterans will notice all their favorite My HealtheVet features such as Pharmacy, Appointments, Secure Messaging and VA Health Records are still on the home page.

Here are some of the changes veterans can expect:

- **New Drop-down Boxes:** There are now fewer tabs to choose from. Our goal with fewer tabs is simpler navigation. We will reduce the 13 red and white tabs to six blue drop-down topics. Each of the following topics has drop-down navigation sub topics to help veterans locate their targeted feature:

- Personal Information

- Pharmacy

- Research Health

- Get Care

- Track Health

- MHV Community

- **Search, About, Contact:** These resources are now on every page, making them more visible.

- **Quick Links:** This popular section, with links to VA resources, is on the bottom of every page.

- **Login/Register:** The Login and Register buttons are clearly visible. Registration requires fewer steps to complete.

- **Other Updates:** Veterans will notice some other minor changes that should not affect navigation throughout the site, such as the different color of the Login or Register button.

What Is Staying the Same?

- **Health Information:** Veterans' VA health information and self-entered data will not be affected by this change.

- **Features and Functionality:** All features and functionality are the same. Veterans will still be able accomplish their tasks as before (refilling prescriptions, sending Secure Messages and accessing VA medical records, etc.).

- User ID and Password: My HealtheVet User IDs and passwords are not affected.

Vets.Gov and My HealtheVet

My HealtheVet is partnered with *Vets.gov* and VA Mobile to provide veterans with a more integrated online experience to access VA products and services. Veterans can now securely access all their My HealtheVet information directly from *Vets.gov*.

Vets.gov was designed using the U.S. Web Design Standards and now the My HealtheVet site is being redesigned to adopt the same standards. These standards are a baseline of design patterns for federal agency websites.

We hope these updates will make it easier to use the important information and resources veterans need.

For Internet assistance, go to your local county library.

For questions concerning veteran's benefits and to obtain needed forms call Georgia Henry, Avery County Veterans Service Office, at (828) 733-8211.

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