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**May 15, 2023****Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center to Host  
VA Healthcare Enrollment Fair in Allentown***VA Enrollment Fair, Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Allentown  
Community Based Outpatient Clinic, 3110 Hamilton Blvd. Allentown, PA 18103.*

A Veteran's eligibility for health care through the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center is based on a variety of criteria related to their service. Although not all Veterans are eligible for VA health care, most Veterans who served on active duty with an other than dishonorable discharge are eligible to receive some level of care.

The PACT Act and other legislation have also expanded VA health care eligibility for many unenrolled Veterans.

VA Healthcare eligibility criteria changes over time, a Veteran once deemed ineligible for VA health care may become eligible if they experience changes in income level, health, or suffer a catastrophic event.

If you're a Veteran who has never applied for VA healthcare, this is a great opportunity to investigate the healthcare benefits that you may be entitled to.

At the enrollment fair, unenrolled Veterans will be able to start the application process for VA healthcare and be able to ask questions at the event. Veterans can bring a COPY of their DD214 and general income information if available, although it is not necessary to attend.

*"I believe there are millions of Veterans out there that were never told, that though the VA, you may be eligible for lifelong health care, regardless of their income or other private health insurance. I encourage all Veterans to apply or re-apply, it can change your life." -Shirley Z - Eligibility Specialist, Wilkes-Barre VA Medical Center*

Qualified Veterans can receive services at the VA Medical Center, Community Based Outpatient Clinics, Community Living Centers, Readjustment Counseling Centers, and various other VA associated facilities. The VA also offers comprehensive health care programs to fit the Veteran's individual needs from preventive medicine to outpatient treatment.

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