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# **Health Care for Reentry Veterans**



Outreach to Veterans
Incarcerated in State &
Federal Correctional



This information is designed for Veterans incarcerated, corrections facility staff, Veteran families, and Parole/Probation Officers to assist in planning for the Veterans release back into the community.

The Health Care for Reentry Veterans
Program (HCRV) operates in all 50 states
under the U.S. Department of Veterans
Affairs Health Care Administration.

The HCRV program serves Veterans convicted of a felony who are incarcerated in State and Federal correctional facilities.

In Texas, the Reentry Specialists works in partnership with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the Federal Bureau of Prisons, along with state and federal Parole/Probation to provide reentry planning services to eligible Veterans who are incarcerated.

The HCRV Specialists can assist with information regarding temporary and permanent housing, employment, education, VA monetary benefits, and other related resources.

The Mission of the HCRV program is to provide support, information, and resources to Veterans incarcerated and those interested in their well-being.

The program is to facilitate a successful transition into the community in an effort to prevent homelessness, reduce the impact of medical, psychological, and social problems, improve the Veterans level of functioning, and



**TARGET POPULATION** 

The Reentry Specialist provides: information, links to resources, assessments, and reentry related services to eligible Veterans incarcerated in state and federal correctional facilities. Post-release services, including limited case management, are also available.

#### PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY AND EXCLUSIONS

 Eligibility is based upon the Veterans discharge from active military service under other than dishonorable conditions. Active service generally means full-time service, other than active duty for training, as a member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard

Veterans can have their eligibility verified by sending a completed 10-10EZ application to:

Health Eligibility Center 2957 Clairmont Road Suite 200 Atlanta, GA 30329

- By law VA medical services cannot be provided to veterans while they are incarcerated. Eligible Veterans may receive VA hospital or outpatient care upon release from the correctional facility, even when released to a state or federal halfway house
- By law, VA benefits or services will not be provided to any Veteran wanted for an outstanding felony warrant



## Health Care for Reentry Veteran Specialist <u>Duties and Responsibilities</u>

- Discusses the process of Veterans eligibility through verification of military service
- Provides information, pre-release assessment, screening, and reentry planning services (in conjunction with corrections staff) up to 6 months before release
- Provides post-release community-based services and coordination of services for Veterans during the early stage of community readjustment
- Provides post-release referral, linkage, and coordination for VA and non-VA services
- Assists with completion, submission, and follow-up regarding VA eligibility and enrollment (10-10EZ), and other related VA forms
- Provides state HCRV points of contact to incarcerated veterans to assist with medical and/or mental health appointments in other states

https://www.va.gov/homeless/reentry.asp





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