# ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AVAILABLE FOR SERVICE CONNECTED DISABLED VETERANS

## **EVALUATION**

• BENEFIT

#### 0% to 20%

- Certificate of Eligibility for home loan guaranty
- Home loan guaranty fee exemption
- Vocational Rehabilitation & Counseling under Title 38 USC Chapter 31 (must be at least 10%)
- VA medical treatment for priority groups three through seven
- Service Disabled Veterans Insurance (Maximum of \$10,000 coverage). Must file within 2 years of new service connection
- 10 point Civil Service Preference (10 points added to Civil Service test score)
- Clothing allowance for veterans who use or wear a prosthetic or orthopedic appliance (artificial limb, braces, wheelchair) or use of prescribed medications for a skin condition, which tend to wear, tear, or soil clothing
- Temporary total evaluation (100%) based on hospitalization for a service connected disability in excess of 21 days; or surgical treatment for a service connected disability necessitating at least 1 month of convalescence or immobilization by cast, without surgery of one or more major joints.

## 30% In addition to the above:

- Additional allowance for dependents (spouse, children, step children, helpless children, full-time students between the ages of 18 and 23 and parents)
- Additional allowance for spouse who is a patient in a nursing home or helpless or blind or so nearly helpless or blind as to require the regular aid and attendance of another person
- VA medical treatment for priority group two
- Non-competitive Federal employment

## 40% In addition to the above:

Automobile grant and/or special adaptive equipment for an automobile provided there is loss or permanent loss of using one or both feet, loss or permanent loss of use of one or both hands or permanent impaired vision of both eyes with central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in better eye.

## In addition to the above:

- VA medical outpatient treatment for any condition except dental
- Preventative health care services
- VA medical treatment for priority group one
- Hospital care and medical services in non-VA facilities under an authorized fee basis agreement

## 60% to 90% In addition to the above:

- Increased compensation (100%) based on individual unemployment (applies to veterans who are unable to obtain or maintain substantially, gainful employment due to service connected disability)
- VA medical treatment for priority group one

## In addition to the above:

- Dental treatment
- Waiver of National Service Life Insurance premiums
- · VA medical treatment for priority group one
- National Service Life Insurance total disability income provisions
- Veterans employment preference to spouse
- Specifically Adapted Housing for veterans who have loss or permanent loss of use of both lower extremities or blindness in both eyes having light perception only plus loss or permanent loss of use of one lower extremity or the loss or permanent loss of use of one extremity with loss or permanent loss of use of one upper extremity or the loss or permanent loss of use of one extremity together with an organic disease which affects the functions of balance and propulsion as to preclude locomotion without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or wheelchair
- Special home adaptation grant (for veterans who don't qualify for the above benefit) may be applied for it if the veteran is permanently and totally disabled due to blindness in both eyes with visual acuity of 5/200 or less or loss of or permanent loss of use of both hands
- Department of Defense Commissary privileges

## 100% Permanent and Total

## In addition to the above:

- Civilian Health and Medical Program for dependents and survivors (CHAMPVA)
- Survivors and dependents education assistance under Title 38 U.S.C. Chapter 35

#### FEDERAL BENEFIT

• Uniformed Service Retirees who have 20 years or more of service and have been deemed to have a combat related disabilities may be eligible for Combat Related Special Compensation (CRSC). Combat related disabilities would include a VA or Military Department disability rating of at least 10% if retiree has been awarded a Purple Heart or a current combined disability rating of at least 60%. The disabilities must be determined to be combat related. This is a Department of Defense (DoD) benefit, not a VA benefit and applications must be sent to the respective Military Department from which the member retired. Applications may be obtained from your local DAV office or online at www...com and click on CRSC

#### STATE BENEFIT

- Reduced fee for hunting and fishing license (40% or more)
- State Property Tax Exemption: Blind Annuity: New York State Veterans Home
- Child of a Veteran Award: New York State provides to eligible children of deceased veterans or those who are service connected 50% or more, a non-competitive award of \$450 per year
- Access Pass: (40% or more, permanent) An Access Pass permits resident of New York State free use of parks, historic sites, and recreational facilities
- Auto registration, Thruway permits and public campsite and park permits furnished free to qualified, seriously disabled veterans receiving VA vehicle grants
- Tuition award for Vietnam veterans who served in Southeast Asia, and Persian Gulf veterans who served in Southwest Asia. A maximum benefit of \$1000 per semester for full time students and \$500 per semester for part time students

For veterans seeking medical treatment who are non service-connected, zero percent non-compensable, then and twenty percent, please contact your local VA Medical Center to determine your priority group