



## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR AID & ATTENDANCE BENEFITS

Aid & Attendance is a non-service connected benefit for veterans or surviving spouses whose medical expenses exceed their income, and who need regular help with Activities of Daily Living. The Veteran must have served at least 90 days of active military service, with one day of service during a wartime period. The veteran or surviving spouse must show medical need and financial need to qualify.

To be eligible for Aid and Attendance Benefits, the Veteran or the surviving spouse of a Veteran must meet the following requirements:

1. Medical Expenses that exceed his/her income. (Medical expenses can include in-home care, prescriptions, nursing home or assisted living costs, and more.)
2. Liquid Assets of less than \$80,000. (This does not include the Veteran or surviving spouse's home or car. The older the applicant, the fewer liquid assets are allowed.)
3. A need for regular assistance in the home, which means the person must need help with the following types of activities, dressing or undressing, keeping himself or herself ordinarily clean and presentable, eating, and/or toileting. If the Veteran or surviving spouse is bedridden, or is mentally or physically incapacitated and assistance is required on a regular basis, then the criteria will be met.
4. Served in a wartime period. Wartime periods are as follows:

World War I                      April 6, 1917 through November 11, 1918; for veterans who served in Russia, April 6, 1917 through April 1, 1920.

World War II                      December 7, 1941 through December 31, 1946

Korean Conflict                      June 27, 1950 through January 31, 1955

Vietnam Era                      February 28, 1961 through August 4, 1964 if service was in Vietnam. August 5, 1964 through May 7, 1975 for all others.

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