# **MyVA Communities**Frequently Asked Questions



## **Questions for the General Public**

#### 1. What is a MyVA Community?

A *MyVA Community* is a locally driven movement that brings together leaders, advocates, and service providers to discuss and improve outcomes for Veterans, Service members, and their families. It includes a board and public forums to unite Veteran advocates and promote open communication amongst the Veteran- community.

#### 2. Who is on the board?

Veteran advocates, service providers, organizations, and stakeholders may serve on the board. Co-Chairs from the community lead and establish the board membership and, together, the members discuss community issues, establish goals, and plan public forums to obtain feedback directly from the Veteran-community.

#### 3. Who is responsible for selecting board members?

Co-chairs from the community are responsible for selecting board members. Board membership size may vary.

#### 4. What does VA do?

VA's role is to coordinate with local community leaders to improve the community experience for Veterans, Service members, and their families. VA will participate in but will not run the board or public forums.

## 5. Who joins a MyVA Community?

Anyone can join a *MyVA Community*. It is open to Veterans, Service members, advocates, service providers, organizations, and stakeholders to participate. The public forums are open to the public, including everyone in the Veteran-community.

#### 6. Is there a MyVA Community in my area and how do I get involved?

**MyVA Communities** are not in every community yet and many are just in the making. If you want to find out if one is in your area, please email <u>MyVACommunities@va.gov</u>. Someone will get back to you shortly.

### 7. Can the VA seal and flag be used in promotion materials?

The *MyVA* logo may be used by Co-Chairs and board members as it relates to promoting the use of the *MyVA Community* model. However, the VA seal and flag may only be used as authorized by law and by the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Use of the VA seal and flag are not authorized at this time.