Qualifications for The Aid & Attendance Benefit

Age/Unemployable
- Veteran must be over the age of 65 and/or unemployable.
- Un-remarried surviving spouse has no age requirement. A surviving spouse must have been married to the veteran at the time of the veteran’s death and the marriage must have been for at least one year.

Qualifying Military Service
- Must have an honorable or general discharge (any discharge other than dishonorable)
- Must have served at least 90 days of active duty with at least one day during an official period of conflict.

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Medical Necessity
- Must have a medical diagnosis or condition that requires assistance with Activities of Daily Living (ADL’s).
- Doctor is able to document this need with a qualifying Physicians Report.

Cost of Care and Monthly Income
- The VA has an income test, certain medical expenses can be deducted from income to help qualify. Contact your local GPSV Member for a personal assessment.

Net Worth and Liquid Assets
- The VA’s asset and net worth limit can vary depending on many factors like life expectancy, medical expenses, etc.. Contact your local GPSV member for a personal assessment.

Additional Information
Service in the Merchant Marines during War World II must have 90 days of ocean-going service between 12/7/1941 and 8/15/1945 (the 90 days do not have to be consecutive).

Reserves and National Guard do not qualify unless they served 90 days Active Duty Federal duty with 1 day during a period of Conflict. Training does not count as active duty.

A DD214 was implemented by the VA in 1950 and is the only document required for a veteran that served in Korea or Vietnam, As long as they meet the Qualifying Military Service stated above.

Prior to 1950 you will need to provide Military Discharge Paper(s) that state Date of Entry Into Active Duty, Date of Discharge, Character of Separation and must meet the Qualifying Military Service stated above.

For more information about this benefit please contact:
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