



What is the Veterans Aid and Attendance Benefit?

Aid and Attendance (A&A) is a benefit paid in addition to monthly pension. Benefits may be available for Veterans and surviving spouses who require the regular attendance of another person to assist in bathing, dressing, meal preparation, medication monitoring or other various activities of daily living. This benefit is available to individuals who reside in assisted living communities, personal care homes, skilled nursing facilities and those receiving personal in-home care.

How can these benefits help someone and how much is available?

Aid and Attendance can help pay for care in the home, skilled nursing facility, personal care home or an assisted living community. A Veteran may be eligible for up to \$19,728 a year, a Veteran with a dependent spouse may be eligible for up to \$23,388 per year, a surviving spouse of a Veteran may be eligible for up to \$12,672 a year and two Veterans married to each other may be eligible for up to \$30,480 a year.

Who is Eligible?

Any War Veteran with 90 days of active duty with at least one day during active War time. A surviving spouse of a War Veteran may be eligible if he/she remained married to the Veteran until his/her time of death and has not remarried. The only exception to this rule is if the remarriage took place after January 1, 1971 and ended before November 1, 1990. The individual must meet medical, service and financial qualifications as described on the following page.

