RESCISSION OF VHA DIRECTIVE 1022, RESERVE COMPONENT INTEGRATED DISABILITY EVALUATION SYSTEM EXAMINATIONS

1. By direction of the Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration (VHA), VHA Directive 1022, Reserve Component Integrated Disability Evaluation System Examinations, June 5, 2013, is rescinded.

2. VHA Directive 1022 defines VA process by which VHA completes disability medical examination requests for Reserve Component (RC) Integrated Disability Evaluation System (IDES) examinations by directing facilities to accommodate requests for disability examinations at a location that has been determined to be nearest to the Servicemember’s physical location or residence on a timely basis that meets IDES Program guidelines. VHA Directive 1022 is outdated as the process is no longer managed by VHA but by VA’s Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and the procedures regarding the appropriate examination facility are located in VBA’s Adjudication Procedure Manual M21-1, III.iv.3.A.1.b. at https://www.knowva.ebenefits.va.gov/system/templates/selfservice/va_ssnew/help/customer/locale/en-US/portal/554400000001018/content/554400000015809/M21-1-Part-III-Subpart-iv-Chapter-3-Section-A-Examination-Requests-Overview#1.

3. All inquiries concerning this action should be addressed to the Office of Disability and Medical Assessment (10NC8) at (202) 461-6699 or CorporateMailbox.DMA@va.gov.

4. This VHA notice will be archived as of May 31, 2019. However, the rescission information will remain in effect.

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