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Veterans Benefits Administration

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Benefits Usage by Women Veterans

- Compensation benefits: 243,484
- Pension benefits: 11,683
- Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment benefits: 21,000
- Loan Guaranty benefits: 37,289 with \$2.7 billion in loans



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Unique Programs

- Women Veterans Coordinators (WVCs)
- Targeted outreach
- Special training on Military Sexual Trauma (MST)



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Compensation and Pension Program Update

- Modification to Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) regulation
- Modification to Agent Orange presumptive listing—in process
- Modification to Persian Gulf War presumptive listing—in process



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Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program Update

- Special training for counselors on diverse needs
- Array of services available, including:
 - employment services,
 - independent living assistance,
 - vocational and adjustment counseling,
 - adaptive equipment and
 - limited childcare
- Outreach efforts:
 - Coming Home to Work (CWTW) program
 - VetSuccess on Campus pilot



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Education Program Update

- Fall enrollment status
- Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH)
- Fry Scholarship



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eBenefits Update

- “One-stop shop” benefits-related online tool for Wounded Warriors, Veterans, Service members, families of Service Members, and others who care for them
- Creates a personalized workspace giving quick access to online tools:
 - Apply for benefits
 - Check status of claim
 - See payment history
- Upcoming features:
 - Integrate with Tricare on-line and My HealtheVet
 - Update personal information



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Questions?