Top VA Nursing Questions



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#1. What in-home nursing benefits does the VA provide?

Skilled Home Health Care is for Veterans needing short-term care when they move back to their home from a hospital or nursing home. It can also be used to provide continuing care to people with ongoing needs. The program is for veterans who need services such as: skilled nursing, case management, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, wound care, or IV antibiotics. Skilled Home Health Care can be used in combination with other Home and Community Based Services. The care is delivered by a community-based organization that has a contract with VA.

#2. Who is eligible for the VA's in-home nursing benefits?

All enrolled Veterans are eligible for Skilled Home Health Care IF they are eligible for community care and they meet the clinical criteria for the service. Services may vary by location. Contact your VA social worker/case manager to complete the Application for Extended Care Benefits (VA Form 10-10EC) to learn the amount of your copay.

#3. What services can a veteran receive?

If you are eligible for Skilled Home Health, based on your needs you may receive: Nursing care (such as wound care or catheter care); therapy visits for physical, occupational or speech therapy; patient education (about managing your medicines or illness); IV antibiotics or home infusion; a home safety evaluation; social work support.

#4. How do I decide if it is right for me?

You can use a <u>Veteran Decision Aid for Care at Home or in the Community</u> to help you figure out what home care services or long term care services may best meet your needs now or in the future. There's also a <u>Caregiver Self-Assessment</u>. It can help your caregiver identify their own needs and decide how much support they can offer to you. Having this information from your caregiver, along with the involvement of your care team and social worker, will help you reach short-term and long-term care decisions. Ask your social worker for these resources or download copies from the Making Decisions page at <u>www.va.gov/Geriatrics</u>. If Homemaker or Home Health Aide services seem right for you, your VA social worker can help you make arrangements for those.

Resources:

Application for Extended Care Benefits (VA Form 10-10EC): https://www.va.gov/find-forms/about-form-10-10ec/ Caregiver Self-Assessment: https://www.va.gov/GERIATRICS/docs/Caregiver_Self_Assessment.pdf Veteran Decision Aid: https://www.va.gov/GERIATRICS/docs/Veteran_Decision_Aid.pdf