Virginia Department of Veterans Services

Davis & McDaniel Veterans Care Center

Admission Application

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Dear Veteran,

Thank you for your interest in Davis & McDaniel Veterans Care Center. We take great pride in caring for those who have cared for us!

Attached you will find the information and forms you need to begin the administration process.

Please fill out the following and return to us, either by mail, email, fax or in person.

1. **The application.** Please answer all the questions you can. Be sure to sign the last page.
2. **A copy of your DD-214.** Do not send originals.
3. **A copy of your Medicare card, Medicaid card, and any additional insurance cards you have in effect.** Our business office will contact your insurance company(s) to help determine what benefits you may have.
4. **A copy of your Power of Attorney papers and your Advanced Directive, if you have them.** If you do not have a power of attorney, please arrange for someone to assist you in financial and medical decisions.
5. **Medical history.** Contact your present physician and request that he/she fax your medical information for the previous 6 months to (540) 655-1584. This is not necessary if coming from a hospital or nursing home.
6. **Physical form.** There is also a Physical Form enclosed, but this physical must be done within 30 days of your admission to Davis & McDaniel Veterans Care Center. Please wait until we know you are going to be living here before you have a physical done.

Please feel free to call me at (540) 982-2860 or email me at Heather.Heisler@dvs.virginia.gov if I can answer any questions. I will be happy to assist anyway I can.

Sincerely,

Heather Heisler

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DMVCC Director of Admissions and Marketing

ABOUT DAVIS & MCDANIEL VETERANS CARE CENTER

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The Virginia Department of Veterans Services (DVS) veterans care centers are first-class facilities designed to enhance quality of life with a clean, caring, and dignified setting appropriate for those men and women who have served our country with honor.

The Davis & McDaniel Veterans Care Center (DMVCC) opened on Veterans Day, 1992 as the Virginia Veterans Care Center. In 2023, it was renamed to honor two Virginia heroes - Colonel Paris Davis and Captain Red McDaniel. We proudly care for our veterans whether it's a short stay for rehabilitation or for long term care, providing individualized services in a safe, caring, and professional environment.

CARE LEVELS

- Long-Term Care
- Memory Care
- Short-Term Rehabilitative Care
- Respite Care
- Hospice

STAFFING

Our staff prides themselves on building a relationship with our residents. We have 24/7 nursing staff that consists of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and certified nursing assistants. DMVCC staff also includes licensed PT/OT staff, registered dieticians, pharmacist, licensed clinical social workers, and activities coordinators.

FEATURES

- In-house physical, occupational, and speech therapy
- Therapeutic activities such as pet therapy, day trips, and shopping outings
- Transportation to community and sporting events, and medical appointments
- Medical social services for resident and family support

AMENITIES

- Barber shop
- WiFi and Cable TV
- Chapel
- 20 acres of park-like grounds with nature trails
- Short stay accommodations and convalescent rooms may be available for our families visiting from out of town

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ABOUT OUR NAMESAKE

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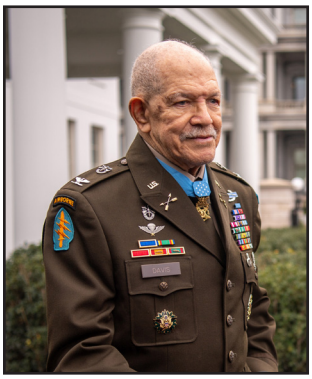
In 2023, the Virginia Veterans Care Center was renamed the Davis & McDaniel Veterans Care Center after two Virginia Vietnam War heroes. Pictured above: Governor Glenn Youngkin (center) joins the DMVCC team and is flanked by both Colonel Paris Davis (right of Gov) and Captain Eugene "Red" McDaniel (left of Gov) to celebrate the new name.

COLONEL PARIS DAVIS (1939 -)



Colonel Paris Davis, U.S. Army (Retired) was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor in 2023 for heroism and selflessness, above and beyond the call of duty at the risk of his own life. In 1965, he was a Captain and the Commander, Detachment A-321, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces. He distinguished himself by acts of gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty while serving as an advisor to the 883d Regional Force Company, Army of the Republic of Vietnam, during combat operations against an armed enemy in the vicinity of Bong Son, Republic of Vietnam, on June 17-18, 1965.

Colonel Davis served three tours of duty in Vietnam and retired from active duty with 26 years of service in 1985. He settled in Arlington and established and published the Metro Herald, a respected Afro-American community newspaper.

Colonel Davis one of only a handful of soldiers to receive both the Soldier's Medal and the Medal of Honor. He is also a recipient of the Silver Star, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart medals and was inducted into the U.S. Army Ranger Hall of Fame. His autobiography *"Every Weapon I Had: A Vietnam Vet's Long Road to the Medal of Honor"* was published in 2025.

CAPTAIN EUGENE "RED" MCDANIEL (1931 - 2026)

Captain Eugene "Red" McDaniel, U.S. Navy (retired) served 27 years on active duty. As a Navy aviator, Captain McDaniel was forced to eject from his crippled aircraft in November 1967 over North Vietnam, captured and held as a Prisoner-of-War until his release in March 1973. He was subject to brutal treatment as a POW and returned to Portsmouth Naval Hospital for rehabilitation from his injuries.

After his medical release, Captain McDaniel joined the staff of Naval Air Station Norfolk before assuming command of the USS Niagara Falls and later the USS Lexington. His final active-duty assignment was a five-year stint as Director of the Navy/Marine Corps Liaison Office with the U.S. House of Representatives.

His previous military honors include the Navy Cross, two Silver Stars, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and Bronze Star. He is also the author of the book, "Scars and Stripes: The True Story of One Man's Courage Facing Death as a POW in Vietnam" and in retirement, founded The American Defense Institute to foster patriotism in America's youth.

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ELIGIBILITY AND ADMISSIONS

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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Eligible applicants are veterans who must be:

1. A resident of Virginia at the time of admission or at the entrance of service
2. Honorably discharged from active duty service
3. Needing a skilled nursing level of care

Upon meeting the eligibility requirements, the applicant will provide an application packet and if necessary, the applicant's name will be placed on our Potential Admissions Waiting List. Included in the application is a form 10-10EZ. Please complete even if you have recently completed one for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The 10-10EZ must be signed by the veteran or the veteran's power of attorney (POA).

REQUESTED DOCUMENTS

Admissions will also request copies of these documents from the family:

1. Copy of DD-214, or proof of military service must be obtained prior to admission
2. Medicare card
3. Medicare Part D insurance card
4. Secondary Insurance Card (if applicable)
5. Medicaid card (if applicable)
6. Power of Attorney or Guardian documentation
7. Living Will

MEDICAL FORMS

Current medical information will need to be gathered by the family for the Admissions department. **All medical forms must be completed no more than 30 days prior to admission.** These documents consist of, but are not limited to:

1. Current Medical History and Physical
2. Labwork
3. List of Medications (for at least the last 14 days if coming from hospital)
4. Chest x-ray and TB skin test
5. All nursing, rehabilitation, and therapy notes
6. Physician's Discharge Orders

For qualified veterans, a patient per diem payment will also be applied by the VA to reduce the resident's daily rate. This per diem payment can vary. Please contact our Admissions office at (540) 982-2860 for the current VA patient per diem.

For questions or more information about DMVCC, please contact:

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