Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center

FAQ

Q – Do you take spouses of veterans?

A – No. We can only admit veterans. The spouse would have to be a veteran themselves to be eligible for admission.

Q – I just filled out a 10-10EZ for the VA. Do I still need to fill another one out for Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center?

A – Yes. The VA requires us to collect a new one at admission.

Q – Do you have to have a service connected disability rating to admit there?

A – No. We do not have that requirement.

Q – Are you a part of the Veterans Administration?

A – No. Sitter & Barfoot is owned and managed by the Commonwealth of Virginia under the Department of Veteran Services.

Q – Can I sign myself into the facility?

A – We require that a resident be "signed in" by a responsible party. That person must have the legal ability to perform that action by being either a POA or a blood relative. This is a protection for both the resident and the facility to ensure that a person you have designated has the authority to act on your behalf if needed.

Q – What are the "basic" requirements for admission?

A – The following are the "basic" requirements for admission:

1. The resident must be an honorably discharged veteran from active duty and served for a period not less than 6 months (other than training) from the Armed Forces of the United States.

2. Must be a resident of Virginia or entered service from Virginia.

3. Must medically need nursing home level of care.

This is not a complete list of requirements, many other factors determine if the facility can admit the patient, but this list is the "basic" requirements.

Q – What do I need to show that I am a veteran?

A – We will need a copy of your military discharge papers. This is usually a DD-214 or in the case of naval personnel from WWII it is sometimes labeled "Separation from Naval Service". The easiest way to check if you have the correct document is to look for the following four items:

1. Date of entry into Active Service
2. Date of discharge from Active Service
3. Military Service Number
4. Character of service, i.e., Honorable

If the document has all four items on one page, chances are that that is the correct document.

Q – I can't find my discharge papers. What do I do?

A – If you are a WWII veteran and were discharged in Virginia, the Library of Virginia may have a copy. We can help you request that document. For all other veterans you will need to request a copy from the National Archives in St. Louis, Missouri. The web address is:

http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/

Q - Where are you located?

A – We are on the grounds of McGuire VA Hospital. Our address is 1601 Broad Rock Blvd, Richmond VA 23224.

Q - Do I or can I bring medications from home?

A – No. We have a pharmacy onsite and cannot dispense medications filled from other pharmacies. If you were getting your medications filled at the VA, once you are a patient here, our pharmacy will fill your medications and bill your insurance. You will be responsible for any co-pays required by your insurance. The VA will not provide medications to residents of nursing facilities. If you do not have prescription insurance, our pharmacy will be happy to sit down and discuss your options for coverage. If you are here for short term rehabilitation under Medicare or private insurance, medications are typically covered and included, as long as you are receiving care under that insurance.

Q – Can I use an electric scooter or motorized wheelchair there?

A – Yes. Please do not bring it at admission. Our Therapy Department must evaluate your operation of the motorized device in order to ensure you can safely operate it. You will not be allowed to operate it in the facility prior to being evaluated.

Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center's Website Address:

http://www.dvs.virginia.gov/carecenter_sitter-barfoot.shtml

Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center's Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/SitterandBarfootVeteransCareCenter