## **Out of Canada Clients and Veterans of Other Countries**

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## **Purpose**

This policy provides direction on the provision of Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) services and benefits to eligible Canadian veterans/discharged Royal Canadian Mounted Police who reside or travel out of Canada, and to eligible veterans of certain other countries residing or travelling in Canada.

## **Policy**

The *Veterans Health Care Regulations* (VHCR) authorize the provision of treatment benefits and services related to disability benefits entitled conditions for Canadian veterans, and for Rehabilitation Program clients, regardless of Canadian residency.

The VHCRs also authorize the provision of health benefits and services to veterans of countries with which VAC has reciprocal agreements (i.e., USA, Britain, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa). These governments assess the service related pensioned conditions of the veterans who served for their country and authorize their health benefits and services.

## References

Veterans Health Care Regulations, sections 3(1), 3(2), 3(3), 5(2), 7(3) 37

Eligibility for Health Care Programs – Eligible Client Groups