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Are you a Military Veteran (Ex- Armed Forces)?

Military Veterans – Priority NHS Care

The UK Government has pledged to support Military Veterans, Ex-Forces with priority NHS care.

Who is defined as a veteran? ‘A veteran is someone who has served in the armed forces for at least one day in the regular or reservist forces’. There are around 4.5m veterans in the UK.

When servicemen and women leave the armed forces, their healthcare is the responsibility of the NHS.

All veterans are entitled to priority access to NHS hospital care **for any condition as long as it's related to their service**, regardless of whether or not they receive a war pension.

Veterans are encouraged to tell their GP about their veteran status in order to benefit from priority treatment if appropriate. Health related issues for veterans can manifest in a number of ways.

If you are a Military Veteran, please let reception your GP or nurse know so we can update your medical records.