

#### Decision Ready Claim (DRC)

**Veterans Benefits Administration** 



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

# **DRC** Overview

- The primary purpose of the Decision Ready Claim (DRC) initiative is to expand upon VBA's successful Fully Developed Claim (FDC) program to better serve Veterans and their families.
- The DRC initiative is a claims submission option through an accredited Veterans Service Organization (VSO) representative which allows VA to complete a claim within 30 days of submission.





# DRC Overview (Cont.)

 Veterans and accredited VSOs work together to obtain all necessary records, medical exams, and VA Forms and submit a complete DRC package through the DRC Upload Portal.





### **DRC Current State**

- The DRC Initiative officially began on May 1, 2017, at the St. Paul RO and in June 2017 was expanded to the Waco and Houston Regional Offices.
- Implementation to all other Regional Offices will begin July 24, 2017 and be complete by September 1, 2017.
- The DRC Initiative is currently limited to claims for increase. VBA will expand the type of claims that can be submitted via the DRC Initiative as the initiative matures.





#### Decision Ready Claim (DRC) – Phase II Current State



