

[1.] (I) have access with the least possible delay, travel, and inconvenience; and

- [2.] (II) receive, as far as possible, personal attention[; and
(ii) in space that is provided rent-free].

[(c) The Commission and the Department shall coordinate, as much as possible, with other appropriate units to:

- (1) avoid an overlap of effort; and
(2) provide, if possible, at 1 service center or in 1 general local area, complete information about the problems that relate to veterans.]

[(d)](B) [The Director shall supervise the service centers.] THERE SHALL BE A DIRECTOR OF VETERANS SERVICE CENTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUPERVISION OF VETERANS SERVICE CENTERS, WHOSE DUTIES SHALL INCLUDE MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH THE APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENTAL UNIT REGARDING THE STATUS OF EACH CLAIM OF A VETERAN OR ELIGIBLE DEPENDENT OF A VETERAN.

[9-912.] 9-905.

[(a) (1)] The [Commission and the] Department shall:

(1) help veterans and their dependents to receive promptly and regularly all of the benefits to which veterans or dependents are entitled under federal law[.]; AND

(2) [Among other things, the Commission and the Department shall] help veterans and their dependents in:

- (i) preparing, in proper form, claims for benefits;
(ii) presenting the claims to the appropriate governmental unit;
(iii) trying to prevent and to relieve congestion in the processing of the claims; and
(iv) obtaining and expediting action on the claims.

[(b) The Director shall keep in contact with the appropriate governmental unit as to the status of each claim of a veteran or dependent of a veteran.]

[9-913.] 9-906.

(a) (1) In this section, "State veterans' cemetery" means a cemetery that the [Commission] DEPARTMENT establishes under this section.

(2) In this section and in § [9-914] 9-907 of this subtitle, "veteran" means an individual who:

- (i) served OTHER THAN DISHONORABLY on active duty in the armed forces of the United States; or