# **Montgomery County, MD - Veterans Network Directory**

# **Gulf War Illness**

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## Gulf War Registry - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs - Public Health

### www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/gulfwar/benefits/registry-exam.asp

1-877-222-8387 (Toll Free)

VA's Gulf War Registry Health Exam alerts Veterans to possible long-term health problems that may be related to environmental exposures during their military service. The registry data helps VA understand and respond to these health problems more effectively. Veterans who served in the Gulf during Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, or Operation New Dawn are eligible for the Gulf War Registry exam. You do not need to be enrolled in VA health care to take part. Veterans who are eligible for the Gulf War Registry may also join the Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry, which includes additional data related to airborne hazards.

Free to eligible Veterans and no co-payment. Not a disability compensation exam or required for other VA benefits. Enrollment in VA's health care system not necessary. Based on Veterans' recollection of service, not on their military records. Veterans can receive additional registry exams, if new problems develop. Veterans' family members are not eligible for registry exams.

### GulfLink - Defense Health Agency

www.health.mil/Military-Health-Topics/ Health-Readiness/Environmental-Exposures/GulfLINK

1-800-749-8387 (VA Gulf War Information Help Line) 1-800-497-6261 (DoD Incidents Hotline)

Provide online access to medical, operational, and intelligence documents from the 1990 - 1991 Gulf War. Provide service members, veterans, and any interested person with information on what happened during the Gulf War that might have affected the health of those who served. Site contains studies and analyses, environmental exposure reports, information papers, case narratives, close-out reports, and annual reports.