

To whom it may concern,

Below is my feedback regarding the draft Veterans' Entitlements, Treatment and Support Bill 2024:

- 1. The inclusion of a legal mechanism / framework allowing both DEHS and DVA to be linked would be highly beneficial to both Veterans and DVA alike. It could be used (amongst other things) to facilitate the automatic / simplified submission of initial liability claims at (or closely following) the time of injury / onset of illness, and could be initiated by a member, their treating MO, or Garrison Health Unit (as an example).
- 2. A change from the current quarterly reimbursement model to a standard weekly / fortnightly allowance model of funding for veterans participating in the DVA Psychiatric Assistance Dog Program would be beneficial to all stakeholders, saving everyone time, effort, and money.

Regards,

