



Do You See a Non-VA Health Care Provider?

VLER Health is a program that shares certain parts of your Veteran health record between the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the Department of Defense (DoD), and selected private health care providers over a secure and confidential network known as the eHealth Exchange. This program is **free** and voluntary for Veterans.

How might VLER Health benefit me? Many Veterans receive a portion of their care from non-VA health care providers. Sharing certain parts of your Electronic Health Record (EHR) will help reduce the need for patients and families to carry records between health care providers, as well as allow your private health care provider to make more informed decisions about your care. In an emergency, immediate access to additional health care information could save your life.

Who can view my health information? Your non-VA health care provider (if participating in Clinical Health Information Exchange (CHIE)) and VA doctors will both be able to see certain parts of your health record and use it to create a better picture of your overall health.

How do I join? Signing up is fast and easy. You may sign up online, through the mail, by fax, or in person.

Online: Visit <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov> and complete the following 4 steps:

1. Click on **ACCESS MY DOCUMENTS** at the top of the page
2. Scroll down to the Health section & click **MANAGE MY AUTHORIZATIONS AND PREFERENCES (VLER)**
3. At the bottom of the page click on **SHARE YOUR ELECTRONIC HEALTH INFORMATION WITH NON-VA HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS**
4. Highlighted on this page you will find the "VLER Authorization Form" (to share your medical information) and the "VLER Health Revocation Form" (to stop sharing your medical information)
5. Print out and complete the Authorization form. Return it to your participating VAMC by fax, mail or in person

PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL COMPLETED FORMS TO THE VAMC

By Mail: Download and print the VA Authorization (VA Form 10-0485) from our internet site. Fill out the form.

Mail the completed form to:

VA Salt Lake City Health Care System
Attn: 136ROI-VLER
500 Foothill Drive
Salt Lake City, Utah 84148

By Fax: Fax the VA Authorization to: (801)584-2518.

In Person: Please visit the Release of Information Office (ROI) or Library at the VA Salt Lake City Health Care System. Fill out the available VA Authorization (VA Form 10-0485) and turn it in to ROI or Library staff.

Please visit our internet site www.saltlakecity.va.gov/VLERHealth/ to download forms and learn about VLER Health

What if I decide not to join? Participation is entirely voluntary. Deciding not to participate will not affect your VLER Health benefits or your relationship with your doctor and/or the VA Salt Lake City Health Care System. If you choose, you may always join later.

What if I join and later change my mind? If you change your mind, visit www.saltlakecity.va.gov/VLERHealth/ or call the toll-free VLER Health Information line at 1-877-771-VLER (8537) to request the VLER Health Revocation form to stop sharing your health information.

If you would like to see the non-VA health care facilities participating in this program, please visit <http://www.mychie.org/community/>