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**TO: County Veterans Service Offices
Tribal Veterans Service Offices**

SUBJECT: Assistance to Needy Veterans Grants (ANVG) Applicant Submissions

The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) has implemented an enhancement to the myWisVets Veterans Self-Service Portal effective August 7, 2018. This enhancement enables the Veteran to apply for the Subsistence Aid and Health Care Aid portions of the Assistance to Needy Veterans Grant (ANVG) online.

These applications will still be submitted to the appropriate County Veterans Service Office (CVSO) or Tribal Veterans Service Office (TVSO) and Veterans will be directed to contact their CVSO/TVSO after submitting their ANVG applications through myWisVets in order to provide the necessary supporting documentation. Your office will receive an e-mail notification each time a new ANVG application is submitted electronically through myWisVets.

Apart from the fact that Veterans may now submit these types of applications electronically by using myWisVets, there will be no changes to the role the CVSO plays in the application process.

The following steps outline the ANVG submission from myWisVets to VBATS:

- 1) The Veteran logs into his or her myWisVets account and submits an ANVG application (either a Health Care Aid or a Subsistence Aid application). The Veteran must select a county to process the application.
- 2) The CVSO office, selected by the Veteran in step #1 receives an email notification of a new ANVG application in VBATS with a status of 'CVSO Review'.
- 3) The CVSO logs into VBATS, takes ownership of the ANVG application, completes the application, and submits the application to WDVA.

Note: All application materials must still be submitted within the 30 day time period. If a complete application (with supporting documentation) is not received within 30 days, the application will be closed out.

For questions regarding the ANVG program, please call 1-800-WIS-VETS (947-8387) and ask to speak with the Grants section or submit an email to VetsBenefitsGrants@dva.wisconsin.gov.

For any questions regarding the use of myWisVets, please contact the Veterans Benefits Resource Center at 1-800-WIS-VETS (947-8387).