



# This-N-That

Good evening Jim,

This week we're adding three more items to the**TAKE ACTION** category, but we'd like to remind you to please take action on all items.

We've noticed the number of participants declining when we need them to increase dramatically.

We don't stand a chance of getting most if not all pieces of legislation passed without your help.

We are in the process of doing a fax blast to all 535 members of Congress urging them to vote **YES** on each piece at it comes to the floor. But we still can't do it all alone. We never forget our two top priorities, Homeless Veterans and Suicide Prevention.

When going through your home to find things to donate, gently used clothing, shoes, jackets, etc. are always a monstrous need and we strongly recommend the **DAV** (Disabled American Veterans) as they seem to have the best program around to assist in both situations.

If by chance you reside in an area that has a huge homeless problem and you're reasonably sure most are Veterans, please do bring it to my attention so I can get on the phone to light a fire and see what changes we can make happen.

If you know someone is struggling with PTSD or TBI, make friends, be there for them, if we're not on the lookout, not able to assist then we're potentially looking at more suicides. One, is one too many!

I would like to ask that we all work together, and lets all help make 2021 a positive year in regard to legislation and helping Veterans in need.

As you know we've been working with Military Veterans Advocacy<sup>™</sup> for a very long time now and ion this newsletter I've incorporated their newsletter so you can see what is going on all across the board with their agency.

I do recommend if you are able to, to support them as much as possible. Commander Wells spends a lot of time in DC campaigning on your behalf.

If you've not visited our website, www.veterans-for-change.org or not visited in a while, please be sure to check often for updates on documents, web links, etc., we are a bit slow, but are moving as fast as we can, yet not over-loading to put more work on our Webmaster when we get to the transition into the new look.

On behalf of our Volunteers nationwide and myself, we wish you and your family good health!

Respectfully, Jim Davis Founder Jim.Davis@Veterans-For-Change.org



# **House Passes NDAA**

As NewsBytes goes to press, the House is expected to pass the FY2022 National Defense Authorization Act (H.R.4350). The FRA supported floor amendments pertaining to concurrent receipt and survivor benefits were not called for a vote. Key provisions in the House NDAA include:

- No new TRICARE fee increase;
- Prohibiting any reduction or realignment of military medical staff at Military Treatment Facilities (MTF) until a review of medical manpower requirements by the GAO can be conducted;
- Providing an annual active duty pay increase that keeps pace with civilian pay increases (2.7 percent);
- Establishing the Naval Community College as a degree granting institution for enlisted sailors;
- Requiring the Defense Department to pay basic needs

allowance to a qualified service member;

• Expanding the in-home childcare pilot program providing financial assistance for in-home childcare;

• Requiring all Americans ages 18 to 26, regardless of gender, to register with the Selective Service beginning one year after enactment of NDAA;

• Directing DoD to notify survivors of sexual assault about the outcomes of any administrative action taken against their perpetrator; and

• Removing the commander from decisions related to prosecution of sexual assault and sexual harassment crimes and criminalizes sexual harassment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ).

The Senate Armed Services Committee has approved its version of the FY2022 NDAA and the full Senate is expected to debate floor amendments and approve its version later this year. Once both chambers approve their bill, a conference committee will be appointed to resolve the differences between the two bills and then submit a final bill to be voted on in the House and Senate. If the bill is approved, it will be sent to the president to be signed into law or vetoed.



# **Military Veterans Advocacy**



Military Veterans Advocacy is offering some free memberships for those who are struggling to get their claims through, are having financial difficulties. Annual dues are \$25.00 per year. Our organization includes special

sections, Blue Water Navy, Veterans of Southeast Asia, Central Pacific Islands, Veterans of Panama Canal Zone, and Okinawa. We have gift members available which can be paid by your fellow brother or sister Veterans. Gift members are kept confidential. Click **HERE** and help a Veteran.

You may contact Robin Barr at robin.barr@mvadvocacy.org



# **CR and Debt Limit Suspension Combined**

The House approved a Continuing Resolution (H.R.5304) to keep the government running after Sep. 30, 2021, that includes an extension of the debt limit suspension until Dec. 16, 2022.

A Continuing Resolution (CR) keeps the government funded beginning Oct. 1, 2021, the start of the new fiscal year. This will give Congress time to merge the 12 regular appropriations (spending) bills into one larger "omnibus" spending bill that can pass each chamber and be signed into law by the president.

The debt limit came back into effect at \$28.4 trillion on Aug. 1, 2021, following a two-year suspension. The Treasury Department is using "extraordinary measures" such as delaying certain payments to allow the government to finance operations. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen claims these measures will run out in October. Suspending the current limit through Dec. 16, 2022, would enable the U.S. government to continue to borrow money to pay its bills.

The bill now goes to the Senate for further consideration.



## LGBT Veterans with OTH Discharges Will Get VA Benefits

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has announced that LGBT veterans with Other-then-Honorable (OTH) discharges because of their sexual preference will be allowed to receive full VA benefits despite their dismissal status. The change comes as the country approaches the 10th anniversary of repeal of the "don't ask, don't tell" (DADT) law which prohibited gays and lesbians from serving openly in the military. The policy was issued under Department of Defense Directive 1304.26 and was in effect from Feb. 28, 1994, until Sept. 20, 2011. Legislation to repeal DADT was enacted in December 2011. The VA insisted the new guidance does not amount to a change in law, which would require an act of Congress. Rather, the VA contends it's merely a clarification of the existing policy because veterans discharged under Don't Ask Don't Tell are already "generally eligible for benefits under current statute and regulation."



#### Retiring From the Service? Get to Know Your TRICARE Options

If you're getting ready to retire from active duty or reserve service, your goal is likely to make a smooth transition to civilian life. TRICARE can help you do that. When you retire from active duty or retire from the National Guard or Reserve, you'll experience a TRICARE Qualifying Life Event (QLE). QLEs open a 90-day window where you can enroll in a new TRICARE health plan or change your coverage.

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## Knowing What's What: Comparing TRICARE Dental Program Covered Services

The TRICARE Dental Program gives you access to a wide range of covered dental services. These services are placed into categories, and it's important to know the



differences between them so you're aware of when and how much you need to pay for care.

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## New Article Describes Equity as Crucial Element of High Reliability Organizations

Many health care organizations are adopting the High Reliability Organization (HRO) framework to improve care. Drs. Ernest Moy, Leslie Hausmann, and Carolyn Clancy propose adding equity to the HRO framework to become a High Equity Reliability Organization (HERO). HEROs should make changes to care delivery to achieve equitable outcomes and not just eliminate disparities in processes.

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# Veterans get free entrance to national parks, refuges and other public lands

Veterans, Gold Star Families, current Military and their dependents have free access to approximately 2,000 public locations spread out across more than 400 million acres of public lands, which host activities to fit any lifestyle, from serene to high octane, including hiking, fishing, paddling, biking, hunting, stargazing, camping and much more.

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Enhanced pension benefits help eligible wartime Veterans, surviving spouses increase income If you are a wartime Veteran who meets certain requirements, or you are a surviving spouse, then you may be eligible for VA's pension benefits. VA's Aid and Attendance and Housebound benefits, or enhanced pension, can boost your pension payments. If you need help with daily activities, or if you are housebound, you may qualify for an increased monthly pension.

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## You Asked, We Answered: What should I know about additional COVID-19 vaccine doses?

I've heard about people receiving additional doses and booster shots of COVID-19 vaccines. Is there a difference between these kinds of shots?

How do I know if I should receive a third dose?

How do I know if I can receive a booster shot?

What if I received Johnson & Johnson's Janssen Vaccine?

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Afghanistan Response: How you can help

Would you like to support the resettlement of our Afghan allies and other vulnerable Afghan national refugees? Here is how you can help with the Afghanistan response.

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# 2021 National Veteran Suicide Prevention Report shows decrease in Veteran suicides

VA's latest data from 2019 shows a decrease in suicide among Veterans from the year prior. The decrease, reflecting the lowest number of Veteran suicides since 2007, provides hope and motivation for continued prevention efforts.

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# Write a 9/11 Thank You note today

In honor of the 20th Anniversary of 9/11 and National Day of Service, Operation Gratitude invites you to write a thank you note to first responders, service members and Veterans.

Please take 5 minutes to write a letter today through the Operation Gratitude digital platform **HERE**.

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#### Know the Warning Signs

Sometimes, a crisis may involve thoughts of suicide. Learn to recognize these warning signs:

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- · Hopelessness, feeling like there's no way out
- Anxiety, agitation, sleeplessness, or mood swings
- Feeling like there is no reason to live
- Rage or anger
- Engaging in risky activities without thinking
- Increasing alcohol or drug abuse
- Withdrawing from family and friends

# The presence of the following signs requires immediate attention:

- Thinking about hurting or killing themselves
- Looking for ways to kill themselves
- Talking about death, dying or suicide
- Self-destructive behavior such as drug abuse

•••••• Confidential chat at VeteransCrisisLine.net or text to 838255 ••••





Watch #VetResources Check-In on the Veteran News Network We invite you to join us for #VetResources Check-In every weekday at 3PM ET streaming on VA's Veteran News Network.

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#### Noise-induced hearing loss is preventable

Sounds can damage your hearing when they are too loud, even for a brief time, or loud and long-lasting. Sometimes the damage is permanent. Raising awareness about noiseinduced hearing loss from all sources is the focus of National Protect Your Hearing Month, which is observed each October by the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders and other organizations.

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#### Somber Ceremony at DHA Headquarters Evokes Vivid Memories of 9/11

Vivid memories and somber reflections marked an emotional ceremony at Defense Health Agency headquarters on Friday as the military medical community remembered and honored the victims of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

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#### Remembering 9/11: Military Health Leaders Reflect 20 Years Later

"September 11 galvanized the country," said Guy Kiyokawa, the Defense Health Agency's deputy director. "But at the same time, it reminds us that we must learn from our history."

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# Since 9/11, These 8 Military Medical Advancements are Saving Lives

Since 9/11, the level of medical care for service members, retirees, and their families continues to improve and change. Here's a list of just a few ways military medicine has evolved in the two decades since the 9/11 attacks:

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Happy 112th Birthday to Army Veteran Lawrence Brooks Happy birthday to the nation's oldest WWII Veteran! Lawrence Brooks, a patient at VA New Orleans, marked his 112th birthday on September 12.

Brooks received the hospital's 20,000th COVID-19 vaccine. After the injection, Brooks was overjoyed, exclaiming, "I finally got it!"

His advice to those who ask his secret to longevity: "Serve God and be nice to people."

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#### VA supports providers who help prevent Veteran suicide

VA is committed to supporting community health care providers who treat Veterans at risk for suicide through the Suicide Risk Management Consultation Program or SRM.

This program offers free consultation, support, education and resources that promote best practices to providers working with Veterans at risk for suicide.

"We want all providers to feel supported and confident in their treatment decisions," says Georgia Gerard, an SRM team expert.

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#### Finding a new voice after cancer

After battling throat cancer and undergoing a life-changing surgery to remove his voice box, Army Veteran Arthur Daniels found a new voice.

Daniels got his voice back when his surgeon placed a small opening between the trachea and the esophagus. VA offers Veterans a range of devices to help them communicate.

"I tell other Veterans that it will be fine," says Daniels. "We just drive on."

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# Ready to make a lifestyle change? Try VA MOVE!

Healthy living isn't one-size-fits-all. Read about Army Veteran Herb Mitchell's successful weight loss story to learn why.

If you're ready to embrace a healthier lifestyle habit, try MOVE! It's a 16-week weight management and health promotion program designed to improve the lives of Veterans. Every VA medical center has a dedicated MOVE! Coordinator who is available to assist you.

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# Disaster Preparedness: Be Ready, Prepare to Protect

With the threat of hurricanes, wildfires and earthquakes, the best way to keep your family safe during a disaster is to plan ahead and stay informed.

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# Military Health System Offers Help Before and After Natural Disasters

Ongoing natural disasters are constant reminders that daily routines can be upended at any moment.

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Unity of U.S. Government Efforts Bring Aid to Haiti After Earthquake

U.S. Southern Command launched a small command and control element from Special Operations Command South, leading support for humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations.

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Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers to provide an additional year for eligibility and reassessment of certain participants.

The Department of Veterans Affairs is extending PCAFC legacy applicant's eligibility through September 30, 2022, in a final rule published in the Federal Register on September 21, 2021, to provide more time to complete reassessments. Executive Director of the VA's Caregiver Support Program, Dr. Colleen Richardson expects that about 6,700 of the 19,800 veterans enrolled will no longer qualify for the PCAFC under standardized rules previously published. This includes all current tier 1 participants and up to 2% of tier 2 and 3 participants. She hopes to finish all reassessments by the end of March, 2022, and any applicants found to no longer qualify under the new standards will continue to receive benefits and payments for at least 12 months. They will receive a notification of 60 days of due process, and then an additional 90 days of benefits. Essentially, said Richardson, they will receive an additional 17 months of benefits.

The Department of Veterans Affairs'Program, family caregiver program expansion to include veterans who served on or before May 7, 1975, began on October 1, 2020, as authorized in the Mission Acts, P.L. 115-182, Subtitle C established the expansion of the VA Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers (PCAFC) sections 161-162.

#### https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=5717

#### Interim Final rule

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/09/22/2021-20112/extension-of-program-of-comprehensive-assistance-forfamily-caregivers-eligibility-for-legacy



#### Suicide Prevention Resources for Military and Veterans

**Military & Veterans Crisis Line** 1-800-273-8255, Press 1 Text 838255, 24/7

Vets 4 Warriors 855-838-8255

InTransition 1-800-424-7877 Office of Warrior Care Policy warriorcare.dodlive.mil/

**Military One Source** 1-800-342-9647

Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors [TAPS] 1-800-959-8277



#### House Committee on Veterans' Affairs Schedule for Week of September 27, 2021

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Subcommittee on Technology Modernization Oversight hearing - Fully virtual - "Modernizing and Securing VA's IT Infrastructure" - 2:00pm EST; YouTube, Facebook

Saturday, October 2, 2021

Subcommittee On Economic Opportunity Oversight Field Hearing - In Person - Ending Veteran Hunger: Examining the Impact of COVID-19 on Food Insecurity" 11:30am EST; University of California San Diego, YouTube, Facebook.



#### House passed bills

H.R. 4350, the \$778 billion appropriations bill for FY2022 National Defense Authorization Act, passed the House by a 316-113 vote.

S.189, The Veterans Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2021 has passed the house. This requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to increase, as of November 30, 2021, wartime disability compensation, additional compensation for dependents, clothing allowances, and dependency and indemnity compensation to surviving spouses and children by the same percentage as Social Security benefits are increased. The bill is headed to the President's level desk for enactment.

H.R 5293, which extends several expiring authorities within the VA, also passed the House. The bill now goes to the Senate for further action.

H.R. 5305, Extending Government Funding and Delivering Emergency Assistance Act, a bill making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for providing emergency assistance, and for other purposes. The bill before the Senate which passed the House on September 21, 2021 by 220-211 vote provides continuing FY2022 appropriations for federal agencies through December 3, 2021, suspends the debt limit, provides supplemental appropriations, and extends several expiring programs and authorities. In addition, the bill provides supplemental appropriations to several federal agencies for activities related to natural disasters and the evacuees from Afghanistan.

The bill suspends the public debt limit through December 16, 2022. On December 17, 2022, the limit will be increased to accommodate obligations issued during the suspension period.

The bill also extends several expiring programs and authorities, including

- the National Flood Insurance Program,
- the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program,
- National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity,
- United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy,
- the temporary scheduling order issued by the Drug Enforcement Administration to place fentanyl-related substances in Schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act, and

• The authority for the Department of Agriculture to waive certain requirements for the school meal programs.

President's level

The Senate is expected to vote on the H.R. 5305 Extending Government Funding and Delivering Emergency Assistance Act when the Senate reconvenes on September 27, 2021.





Jim, below are links to all currently active pre-written E-Mails to many pieces of legislation. We ask that you go to each one, and send the pre-written E-Mails, and to also call your Reps or Senators and ask for their support on a weekly basis!

Jim you don't need to be Active Duty or a Veteran, in fact we ask all Veteran friends to also help! (Updated 09/13/21)

Please note, we've added 0 new items to the TAKE ACTION list.

1. HR 1014 - Furnish Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBOT) to a Veteran who has a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTS)

2. HR 109 will establish an advisory committee on the implementation by the DVA of an electronic health record

- 3. Concurrent Receipt Legislation Introduced
- 4. Expand Concurrent Receipt
- 5. FRA and Others asks SecDef Not to Raise TRICARE Fees
- 6. H.R. 333, Disabled Veterans Tax Termination Act
- 7. H.R. 344, Support the Women Veterans TRUST Act
- 8. H.R. 914, the Dental Care for Veterans Act
- 9. Military Retiree Survivor Comfort Act
- 10. Oppose TRICARE fee Increases
- 11. S. 134/H.R. 637, the Veterans Economic Recovery Act of 2021
- 12. S. 437, Take Action for Veterans Exposed to Burn Pits

13. S. 89, Ensuring Survivors Benefits during COVID-19 Act of 2021

14. STOP TRICARE Fee Increases

15. Support Bills to Expand Coverage for ChampVA and TRICARE Young Adults

16. Veterans Economic Recovery Act Introduced

17. Support Bipartisan Bill to Expanding COVID-19 Vaccine Access for Veterans and Families

18. H.R. 855, the Veterans Expedited TSA Screening (VETS) Safe Travel Act

19. HR 1355 and S 454. These companion bills will provide health care and benefits to Veterans who were exposed to toxic substances while serving as members of the Armed Forces at Karshi Khanabad Air Base, Uzbekistan.

20. Support Repeal of TRICARE Select Enrollment Fee 21. HR 1585 & S 565- Provide for the treatment of Vets who participated in the cleanup of Enewetak Atoll as Radiation Exposed

22. Please Support S. 344, the Major Richard Star Act23. Support the Military Retiree Survivor Comfort Act24. S. 810 & H.R. 1972, the Fair Care for Vietnam VeteransAct of 2021

25. HR 109 Establish an Advisory Committee onImplementation by the DVA of an electronic health record26. HR 2372 and S 952 will Provide for Presumption of ServiceConnection for certain diseases associated with exposure to toxins

27. Please Ask you Senator to support S.952 the Warfighters Act

28. Support Improving VA Homelessness Program

29. S. 976, Caring for Survivors Act of 2021

30. H.R. 303, the Retired Pay Restoration Act

31. H.R. 912, American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans

Mental Health Act

32. S. 976, the Caring for Survivors Act of 2021

33. HR 2269 and S 657 cover herbicide exposure in Thailand

34. Bipartisan Bill Introduced to Help Military Survivors

35. Legislation asks for Study of Involuntary Discharges for Women

36. H.R. 2436, the Veterans Burn Pit Exposure Recognition Act

37. H.R. 958-the Protecting Moms Who Served Act

38. HR 2127 and S 927, the TEAM bills Veterans Exposed to Toxic Substances

39. Ask your Senator to Support S.1520 Military Justice Improvement Act

40. Ask your member to support S.810 and H.R. 1972 The Fair Care for Vietnam Veterans Act of 2021

41. Ask your member and senator to support HR 2580 and S

1151 to provide for a presumption of service connected

disability for certain Veterans who served in Palomares, Spain, and for other purposes

42. "Bold New Plan" for Veterans Toxic Exposure (S. 927/H.R. 2127)

43. Ask your Senator to Support S.1520 Military Justice Improvement Act

44. HR 855, VETS Safe Travel Act

45. HR 3368, the Guam, American Samoa, and Johnston Island bill

46. H.R. 2521, Delivering Optimally Urgent Labor Access (DOULA) for Veterans Affairs Act of 2021

47. H.R. 1273, the Vietnam Veterans Liver Fluke Cancer Study Act

48. H.R. 2968, the Military and Veteran Student Loan Relief Act

49. H.R. 845, the VA Billing Accountability Act

50. Comprehensive Toxic Exposure Bill Introduced in House51. S. 1031, Legislation Requiring a Study to Look atDisparities in VA Claims

52. Action Alert: Tell Congress to Support the COST of War Act and the Honoring our PACT Act!

53. HR 303 and S 1147 The Retired Pay Restoration Act

54. Ask Your Legislators to Support Concurrent Receipt Reform HR-1282

55. HR 1656 TREAT PTSD Act

56. S. 1664, the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Processing Claims Improvement

57. H.R. 2724 — VA Peer Support Enhancement for MST Survivors Act

58. Please Support H.R. 3452 — Veterans Preventative Health Coverage Fairness Act

59. HR 2192, The Camp Lejeune Justice Act of 2021

60. HR 5026, The Panama Canal Zone Veterans Act of 2021

61. HR 3368, HR 5026, HR 2269, S 657 are all Toxic

Exposure Bills that need special attention and more pressure to get passed!

62. H.R. 4627, Veterans' Culturally Competent Care Act of 2021

63. S. 2172, Building Solutions for Veterans Experiencing Homelessness

64. H.R. 4571, the SERVICE Act of 2021

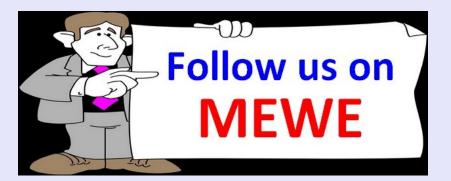
65. S. 796, Protecting Moms Who Served Act

66. H.R. 4732, Protect Individual Unemployability Benefit for All Disabled

67. S. 1937, the Delivering Optimally Urgent Labor Access (DOULA) for Veterans Act of 2021

68. S. 2283 and H.R. 5073—the Crisis Hotline REACH for Veterans Act





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6) Health Care Capsule: Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities7) Medicare Physician Services: Payment Rates, Utilization, and Expenditures of Selected Services in Alaska, Hawaii, and the U.S. Territories



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 An update on sunscreen requirements: The deemed final order and the proposed order
 Armstrong Medical Limited Recalls AMSORB PLUS PREFILLED G-CAN 1.0L Due to Reduced Gas Flow to Patients During Anesthesia

3) CDER Small Business & Industry Assistance (SBIA)

4) Cordis Recalls SUPER TORQUE MB Angiographic

Catheter with Radiopaque Marker Bands Due to Potential for Marker Bands to Move or Dislodge

5) FDA approves add-on drug for ages 10 & up with rare forms of high cholesterol

6) FDA Approves First Biosimilar to Treat Macular Degeneration Disease and Other Eye Conditions

7) FDA Authorizes Booster Dose of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-

19 Vaccine for Certain Populations

8) FDA Authorizes Software that Can Help Identify Prostate Cancer

9) FDA Drug Shortages

10) FDA In Brief: FDA Posts an Initial Batch of Four Deemed Final Administrative Orders for Over-the-Counter Drugs

11) FDA Issues Draft Guidance on Donor Eligibility and Manufacturing of Cellular Therapies for Animals

12) FDA Takes Steps Aimed at Improving Quality, Safety and Efficacy of Sunscreens

13) Green Field Farms Dairy Issues Voluntary Recall of Whole Chocolate Milk

14) IntegraDose Compounding Services, LLC Issues Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Cefazolin Injection Products Due to a Lack of Sterility Assurance

15) It's a Good Time to Get Your Flu Vaccine

16) Joy Gourmet Foods LLC Issues Allergy Alert on Undeclared Sulfites, Coconut and FD&C Yellow#5

17) Medtronic Recalls Pipeline Flex Embolization Devices for Risk of Delivery System Fractures During Placement,

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18) Microneedling Devices: Getting to the Point on Benefits, Risks and Safety 19) Outbreak Investigation of Salmonella Weltevreden: Frozen Pre-cooked Shrimp (April 2021)
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2) ETAAC delivers 2021 Annual Report with recommendations to Congress and IRS

3) Facts to help taxpayers understand backup withholding

4) Filing payroll taxes electronically makes good business sense

5) Here's how saying "I do" can affect a couples tax situation6) Here's how taxpayers can pay the right amount of tax throughout the year

7) Homeownership and taxes: Things taxpayers should consider when selling a house

8) IRS and community partners team up to provide free tax help for families to get advance Child Tax Credit payments and Economic Impact Payments

9) IRS announces two new online tools to help families manage Child Tax Credit payments

10) IRS offers information and resources in variety of multilingual and alternative formats

11) IRS Procurement office to hire 80 new employees nationwide, including contract specialists

12) IRS reminder: Approaching June 15 deadline for second quarter estimated tax payments

13) IRS sending letters to more than 36 million families who may qualify for monthly Child Tax Credits; payments start July15

14) IRS unveils online tool to help low-income families register for monthly Child Tax Credit payments

15) IRS online tool helps families see if they qualify for the Child Tax Credit; one of three tools now available for the upcoming advance payments

16) IRS.gov should be a taxpayer's first stop for their tax transcript

17) More than 2.3 million additional Economic ImpactPayments disbursed under the American Rescue Plan; total payments top 169 million

18) New FAQs available to aid families and small business under the American Rescue Plan

19) Reviewing eligibility for credits and deductions is an important part of year-round tax planning

20) Tax pros can earn continuing education credits and more during virtual IRS Tax Forum

21) Taxpayers may receive a refund for taxes paid on 2020 unemployment compensation

22) The first step of good tax planning is good recordkeeping23) Update on Mandatory Electronic Filing for Form 4720 byPrivate Foundations



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