



Special Compensation for Assistance with Activities of Daily Living

What if I disagree with my SCAADL determination?

Service members, or their designated representative, disapproved to receive SCAADL compensation or who disagree with the amount of SCAADL compensation may appeal the Military Service's decision in accordance with respective Military Service appeal guidelines.

Who receives the SCAADL compensation?

SCAADL compensation is paid directly to the eligible Service member or, if determined to be mentally incompetent, to his/her trustee. It is up to the Service member or trustee to ensure that the caregiver receives the appropriate compensation.

Are there instances where my SCAADL compensation could change?

Yes. SCAADL compensation is based on a Service member's geographic location and level of care required. The amount of compensation may change if the Service member moves or his/her care needs change.

Will my SCAADL compensation change if my status changes from outpatient to inpatient?

The Service member's SCAADL compensation will be continued until the Service member has been hospitalized for 16 or more cumulative days in a month. Once discharged, the Service member will be re-evaluated to determine their eligibility to receive SCAADL compensation.

Is SCAADL compensation tax-exempt?

No. SCAADL compensation is taxable income paid to the Service member.

Can I designate a military member as my primary caregiver?

No. A military member (Active or Reserve) cannot be designated as a primary caregiver.

I was authorized a Non-Medical Attendant (NMA). Does that mean I will automatically qualify to receive SCAADL compensation?

No. Service members who have been authorized an NMA should not assume entitlement to SCAADL compensation. These are two different programs. The Service member, or his/her designated representative, must apply to determine their eligibility to receive SCAADL compensation, regardless of participation in other programs.

How does my caregiver apply for the VA Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers Program stipend?

Severely injured Service members who have an established discharge date may be eligible to apply for the VA's Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers, which provides their caregiver a monthly stipend as well as other assistance. For additional information about the VA Caregiver program, visit the VA website:

https://www.caregiver.va.gov/support/support_benefits.asp.

Support

Talk to your primary care managers, care coordinators, and/or Service Wounded Warrior Program staff about eligibility for SCAADL compensation.

U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program: 1-877-393-9058

U.S. Marine Corps Wounded Warrior Regiment: 1-877-487-6299

U.S. Air Force Wounded Warrior Program: 1-800-581-9437

U.S. Navy Wounded Warrior – Safe Harbor Program: 1-855-NAVY-WWP (1-855-628-9997)

U.S. Special Operations Command Warrior Care Program: 1-877-672-3039 or 1-813-826-8888