



This Act is a new law signed on August 10, 2022, expanding benefits for Veterans and eligible family members. The Togus Regional Office encourages Veterans and survivors to file a claim now. Select this link to find out more information on the [PACT Act](#) or visit www.va.gov/PACT.

PACT Act Highlights:

- Adds 20+ new presumptive conditions for Gulf War and Post 9/11 Veterans
- Adds 2 new presumptive conditions for Veterans serving in Vietnam and those exposed to herbicides elsewhere
- Expands locations that presume exposure to radiation, herbicides and toxins

Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act

Contact the Togus Regional Office: 207-621-6938

Q: Does it cost anything to file a claim?

A: No. Filing claims is 100% free. Togus encourages Veterans to work with a qualified Veterans Service Organization (VSO) at no cost to review their VA disability compensation benefits and submit new claims for conditions that are not already service connected. On the Togus campus there are five VSOs: American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Maine Veterans' Services, Paralyzed Veterans of America, and Veterans of Foreign War. For tips on how to avoid scams, please visit [PACT Act Scams](#).

Q: Will filing a new claim for benefits affect my current benefits?

A: No. Veterans currently receiving compensation for a service-connected conditions will not have their previously awarded claims re-adjudicated simply by filing a new claim for benefits under the PACT act.

Q: What if I have previously been denied?

A: Veterans and survivors previously denied are encouraged to file a supplemental claim. Once a supplemental claim is received, VA will review the claim under the new law.

