# VA PROSTHETIC AND SENSORY AIDS SERVICES FOR WOMEN VETERANS

VA Prosthetic and Sensory Aids Service (PSAS), the VA Center for Women Veterans, and VHA Women Health Services collaborate closely to address the unique needs of women Veterans and provide the most comprehensive and advanced prosthetic devices, sensory aids, and associated services in the world. The term "prosthetic" includes any medical device that supports or replaces loss of a body part or function. Any specialized, medically indicated item that is commercially available may be procured based on the Veteran's individualized needs, including customized devices such as bracing, artificial limbs and orthotic items, and wheelchairs. PSAS provides comprehensive support to optimize the health and independence of all Veterans, regardless of gender.

PSAS specifically supports women Veterans providing them the highest level of service and items to meet their unique needs; e.g., maternity items, breast pumps, are routinely available for the health and well-being of women Veterans. All services are provided in medical care settings by healthcare personnel.

#### ELIGIBILITY

General eligibility for prosthetic services/items is Veterans:

- Enrolled in the VA health care system, and
- Have a medical need for a prosthetic service/item

Additional eligibility criteria may apply for certain programs.

#### WOMEN SPECIFIC PSAS ITEMS INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Breast Pumps
- Nursing Bras
- Post Mastectomy Items
- Wigs for Alopecia
- Long Acting Reversible Contraception (e.g. Intrauterine Devices)
- Maternity Support Belts Items
- Vaginal Dilators





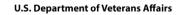


#### OTHER PROSTHETIC SERVICES AND ITEMS

PSAS provides a wide range of comprehensive services and items including, but not limited to:

- Orthotic and Prosthetic Services to include custom fabricated and fitted limbs and supports for spine or limbs
- Mobility aids such as walkers and wheelchairs
- Hearing Aids and Eye Glasses
- Communication and assistive devices
- Home respiratory therapy such as home oxygen services
- Recreational / rehabilitative equipment
- Surgical Implants
- Durable medical equipment





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### **PROSTHETIC AND SENSORY AIDS SERVICE**

## VA HEALTHCARE FOR WOMEN VETERANS

A Women Veterans Program Manager (WVPM) is designated at each VA medical center to advise and advocate for women Veterans. The WVPM can help coordinate all services you may need, from primary care to specialized care for chronic medical or reproductive health conditions. Women Veterans interested in receiving care at VA should contact the nearest VA Medical Center and ask for the WVPM. Women Veterans can also call the Women Veteran Call Center at 1855-VA WOMEN (1-855-829-6636) for more information about care in VA.



#### A PROMISE KEPT

VA Women's Health Services promotes the health, welfare, and dignity of women Veterans and their families by ensuring equitable access to timely, sensitive, high-quality health care.



Every VA facility is committed to meeting the unique needs of women Veterans by delivering the highest quality health care to each woman, while offering her the privacy, dignity, and sensitivity to gender-specific needs that she deserves. Your local VA facility has a full-time Women Veterans Program Manager ready to assist you in getting timely access to the health care you need.







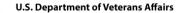
Our vision is to provide the highest quality care to every woman Veteran.





For more information, visit www.prosthetics.va.gov July, 2016





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