

Oregon Department of Veteran Affairs

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Oregon State Dept. of VA

Office of Tribal Government Relations

- Terry Bentley –Terry.Bentley@va.gov
- OTGR –Quarterly newsletter updates of the VA and Indian Country
- Working on the appeals reform
- Supporting the new amendment to the CFR 38 14(d)
- Networking with Tribes to offer training for Tribal Veteran Representatives

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- Connecting WA, OR, ID, CA, AL with MOU with VA and IHS
- Providing training seminars with state organizations for tribal veteran representatives
- Have trained 800 to date.
- Tracking reimbursements to Indian Health service
- Bringing more information from the VA to Indian Country, providing the nexus

CFR 38,14(d)

83	100%	monthly	annual	
	2906	20	58,120	697,440
		60%		
	1059	60	63540	762,480
		10%		
	133	3	399	4788

Tribal Veteran Representatives

- Will add tax free income to your tribe on a monthly basis.
- Veterans in the system receive on one free set of hearing aids including batteries with a 10% service connected disability saves IHS \$\$
- Veterans receive one free pair of glasses a year, saving IHS \$\$

TVR's/Veterans Provide

- MOU/VA/IHS –Reimbursements-current to date

VA Reimburses \$37.5+ Million to IHS and Tribal Health Programs for direct care of native warriors; providing the opportunity to expand or to utilize the same amount of funds to other tribal members.

CFR 38, 14(d)

- First Recognition of Indian Country representatives for veterans and VA
- Provide complete benefit opportunities & needs to native warriors for; Finance; Health;education;home care & the final journey
- Provide infrastructure to Indian Country and most of all recognition to your veterans.



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