





Veteran Entitlement Path

Qualifying operational service occurring after 1 April 1974

Key: **Veteran** Spouse/partner, child, dependant or estate

SERVICE 	CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT 	RETIREMENT (65+ YEARS) 	DEATH 
Impairment compensation (Independence Allowance or Lump Sum for Permanent Impairment) for injury or illness related to qualifying operational service.			Option for services cemetery burial for both veteran and spouse/partner (discretion local authority).
Funding for treatment for accepted conditions not provided by NZDF (while in service), public health system or ACC arising from injury or illness related to qualifying operational service.			
Funding for rehabilitation for accepted conditions not provided by ACC arising from injury or illness related to qualifying operational service.			If veteran or spouse/partner buried in services cemetery plaque or headstone provided. Estate can receive contribution to cost of plaque or headstone if burial in a public or private cemetery.
Funding for cost of travel to assessments, treatment and rehabilitation for an accepted condition for injury or illness related to qualifying operational service.a			Estate can receive contribution to Funeral Expenses.
Recipients of Weekly Compensation or Veteran's Pension eligible for Community Services Card.			If death qualifying operational service related spouse, partner, children and dependants may get Survivor's Grant, Weekly Compensation and Child Care.
Veterans with injury or illness related to qualifying operational service may qualify for support under Veterans' Independence Programme.			If veteran receiving Veteran's Pension is ordinarily resident in New Zealand at time of death, lump sum may be paid to surviving spouse/partner or children.
Weekly Compensation if qualifying operational service injury or illness prevents full-time work.		Veteran's Pension instead of NZ Superannuation.	Some Veterans' Independence Programme support may continue for one year after death (or entry into permanent residential care) if the veteran has a spouse/partner and they continue to live in veteran's home.
		If veteran receive Weekly Compensation for 10 or more years before turning 65 they may be eligible for Retirement Lump Sum.	
		Veteran SuperGold Card instead of SuperGold Card.	
Funding for counselling for veteran's spouse/partner, children, dependants or persons who provide non-professional support to the veteran.			
If veteran unable to work and undertake vocational rehabilitation or dies from qualifying operational service related injury or illness, spouse/partner may receive funding for vocational services and assistance.			
If veteran receives a Community Services Card, the spouse or partner may also receive a Community Services Card.			
		Spouse/partner eligible for Veteran's Pension instead of NZ Superannuation if veteran is eligible or could have been (if deceased) and veteran is or could have been eligible (if deceased) for impairment compensation of 52% whole-person impairment or more.	