# **Disability Benefits Questionnaires Return**

DBQs were developed as a specific means to collect the necessary medical information required in the processing of Veterans disability claims. DBQs provide Veterans with a way to submit medical evidence from their health care provider to support their claims for disability benefits. Veterans can have their health care providers fill out and submit to VA any of the DBQs listed below that are appropriate for their claimed conditions.

It is important to note the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) will not pay or reimburse any expenses or costs incurred in the process of completing and/or submitting DBQs completed by the Veteran's healthcare provider. In most instances a Veteran is entitled to a no cost disability examination to be furnished by VA. In some instances, VA may determine an additional disability examination is still required to complete the claim for disability benefits. When a VA examination is scheduled, the claimant **must** cooperate by reporting for the examination.

It is intended that the DBQs will be completed by the Veteran's health care provider. All clinician information blocks at the bottom of the DBQs must be completed and the form signed and dated by the clinician completing the DBQ. VA reserves the right to confirm the authenticity of ALL DBQs completed by health care providers. Information submitted is subject to verification through computer matching programs with other agencies or any other means deemed appropriate by VA.

## Cardiovascular

- Artery and Vein
- Heart
- Hypertension

#### Dental & Oral

Oral and Dental

### **Dermatological**

- Scars
- Skin Diseases

### **Endocrinological**

- Diabetes Mellitus
- Endocrine (Other than Thyroid, Parathyroid or Diabetes Mellitus)
- Thyroid and Parathyroid

#### **ENT**

- Ear (including Vestibular and Infectious)
- Loss of Sense of Smell and or Taste
- Sinusitis, Rhinitis and Other Conditions of the Nose, Throat, Larynx and Pharynx

#### Gastrointestinal

- Esophageal Disorders
- Gallbladder & Pancreas
- Hernias (Including Abdominal, Inguinal and Femoral Hernias)
- Intestinal (Infectious)
- <u>Intestinal (other than surgical or infectious)</u>
- Intestinal (surgical)
- Liver Conditions
- Peritoneal Adhesions
- Rectum & Anus
- Stomach and Duodenum

# Genitourinary

- <u>Kidney</u>
- Male Reproductive Organ
- Prostate Cancer
- Urinary Tract Conditions

# Gynecological

- Breast
- Gynecological Conditions

#### Hematologic & Lymphatic

Hematologic and Lymphatic Conditions, Including Leukemia

#### **Infectious Diseases**

- HIV-Related Illnesses
- <u>Infectious Diseases (other than HIV-related illness chronic fatigue syndrome and tuberculosis)</u>
- Persian Gulf/Afghanistan Infectious Diseases
- Tuberculosis

#### Musculoskeletal

- Amputations
- Ankle
- Back (Thoracolumbar Spine)
- Bones and Other Skeletal Conditions
- Elbow & Forearm
- Foot Conditions Including Flatfoot (Pes Planus)
- Hand and Finger
- Hip and Thigh
- Knee and Lower Leg
- Muscle Injuries
- Neck (Cervical Spine)
- Osteomyelitis
- Shoulder and/or Arm
- Temporomandibular Disorders
- Wrist

# Neurological

- ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease)
- Central Nervous System and Neuromuscular Diseases
- Cranial Nerve Conditions
- <u>Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy</u>
- Fibromyalgia
- Headaches (including Migraines)
- Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
- Narcolepsy
- Parkinson's Disease
- Peripheral Nerves
- Seizure Disorders (Epilepsy)

#### Nutrition

• Nutritional Deficiencies

# **Ophthalmological**

• Eye Conditions

### **Psychological**

- Eating Disorders
- Mental Disorders
- PTSD Review

# Respiratory

- Respiratory Conditions (other than tuberculosis and sleep apnea)
- Sleep Apnea

# Rheumatological

- <u>Arthritis</u>
- Chronic Fatigue Syndrome
- Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE) and other Autoimmune Diseases