

**INTERNAL VETERANS AFFAIRS USE  
ARTERY AND VEIN CONDITIONS (VASCULAR DISEASES INCLUDING VARICOSE  
VEINS) DISABILITY BENEFITS QUESTIONNAIRE**

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NAME OF PATIENT/VETERAN

PATIENT/VETERAN'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN** - The veteran or service member is applying to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for disability benefits. VA will consider the information you provide on this questionnaire as part of their evaluation in processing the claim. VA reserves the right to confirm the authenticity of ALL DBQs completed by private health care providers.

IS THIS QUESTIONNAIRE BEING COMPLETED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A VA 21-2507, C&amp;P EXAMINATION REQUEST?

 YES  NO

How was the examination completed? (check all that apply)

- In-person examination
- Records reviewed
- Examination via approved video telehealth
- Other, please specify in comments box:

Comments:

**ACCEPTABLE CLINICAL EVIDENCE (ACE)****INDICATE METHOD USED TO OBTAIN MEDICAL INFORMATION TO COMPLETE THIS DOCUMENT:**

- Review of available records (without in-person or video telehealth examination) using the Acceptable Clinical Evidence (ACE) process because the existing medical evidence provided sufficient information on which to prepare the questionnaire and such an examination will likely provide no additional relevant evidence.
- Review of available records in conjunction with an interview with the Veteran (without in-person or telehealth examination) using the ACE process because the existing medical evidence supplemented with an interview provided sufficient information on which to prepare the questionnaire and such an examination would likely provide no additional relevant evidence.

**EVIDENCE REVIEW**

EVIDENCE REVIEWED (check all that apply):

- Not requested
- VA claims file (hard copy paper C-file)
- VA e-folder (VBMS or Virtual VA)
- CPRS
- Other (please identify other evidence reviewed):
- No records were reviewed

EVIDENCE COMMENTS:

**SECTION I - DIAGNOSIS**

DOES THE VETERAN NOW HAVE OR HAS HE OR SHE EVER HAD A VASCULAR DISEASE (ARTERIAL OR VENOUS)?

YES  NO (If "Yes," complete Item 1B)

IF YES, PROVIDE ONLY DIAGNOSES THAT PERTAIN TO VASCULAR DISEASE (ARTERIAL OR VENOUS)?:

DIAGNOSIS # 1 -	ICD CODE -	DATE OF DIAGNOSIS -
DIAGNOSIS # 2 -	ICD CODE -	DATE OF DIAGNOSIS -
DIAGNOSIS # 3 -	ICD CODE -	DATE OF DIAGNOSIS -

IF THERE ARE ADDITIONAL DIAGNOSES THAT PERTAIN TO VASCULAR DISEASES, LIST USING ABOVE FORMAT

**SECTION II - MEDICAL HISTORY**

2A. DESCRIBE THE CAUSE/ONSET OF THE VETERAN'S CURRENT VASCULAR CONDITION(S) (Provide a brief summary)

2B. TYPE OF VASCULAR DISEASE CONDITION (Check all that apply)

- Section III: Varicose veins and/or post-phlebitic syndrome
- Section IV: Peripheral vascular disease, aneurysm of any large artery (other than aorta), arteriosclerosis obliterans or thrombo-angitis obliterans (Buerger's Disease)
- Section V: Aortic aneurysm
- Section VI: Aneurysm of a small artery
- Section VII: Raynaud's syndrome
- Section VIII: Arteriovenous (AV) fistula, angioneurotic edema or erythromelalgia
- Section IX: Soft tissue Sarcoma of vascular origin

If checked, complete appropriate Section III - IX

Regardless of checked condition, complete Section X

**SECTION III - VARICOSE VEINS AND/OR POST- PHLEBITIC SYNDROME**

3A. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE VARICOSE VEINS?

YES  NO (If "Yes," indicate side:  Right  Left  Both)

3B. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE POST-PHLEBITIC SYNDROME OF ANY ETIOLOGY?

YES  NO (If "Yes," indicate side:  Right  Left  Both)

3C. CHECK ALL SYMPTOMS THAT APPLY AND INDICATE EXTREMITY AFFECTED:

- |  |                                |                               |                               |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asymptomatic palpable varicose veins        | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asymptomatic visible varicose veins         | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aching in leg after prolonged standing      | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aching in leg after prolonged walking       | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue in leg after prolonged standing     | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue in leg after prolonged walking      | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Symptoms relieved by elevation of extremity | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Symptoms relieved by compression hosiery    | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |

3D. CHECK ALL FINDINGS AND/OR SIGNS THAT APPLY AND INDICATE EXTREMITY AFFECTED:

- |   |                                |                               |                               |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beginning stasis pigmentation  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beginning eczema   | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent stasis pigmentation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent eczema  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intermittent ulceration  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent ulceration  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intermittent edema of extremity  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent edema that is incompletely relieved by elevation of extremity | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent edema   | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent subcutaneous induration                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Massive board-like edema   | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Constant pain at rest  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |

**SECTION IV - PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DISEASE, ANEURYSM OF ANY LARGE ARTERY (OTHER THAN AORTA) ARTERIOSCLEROSIS OBLITERANS OR THROMBO-ANGIITIS OBLITERANS (BUERGER'S DISEASE)**

4A. HAS THE VETERAN EVER BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH (Check all that apply):

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peripheral vascular disease                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Arteriosclerosis obliterans                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aneurysm of any large artery (other than aorta) | <input type="checkbox"/> Thrombo-angiitis obliterans (Buerger's Disease) |
| (Is it symptomatic):   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO                 | <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above                               |

(If "Yes," describe symptoms):

(If any of the above conditions are checked, answer questions 4B - 4D)

4B. HAS THE VETERAN UNDERGONE SURGERY FOR ANY OF THESE LISTED CONDITIONS?

- YES     NO (If "Yes," list type of surgery): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of surgery: \_\_\_\_\_ )

4C. HAS THE VETERAN UNDERGONE ANY PROCEDURE (other than surgery) FOR REVASCULARIZATION?

- YES     NO (If "Yes," list type of procedure): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of procedure: \_\_\_\_\_ )

4D. INDICATE SEVERITY OF CURRENT SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS AND INDICATE EXTREMITY AFFECTED: (Check all that apply)

- |  |                                |                               |                               |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Claudication on walking more than 100 yards   | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Claudication on walking between 25 and 100 yards on a level grade at 2 miles per hour | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Claudication on walking less than 25 yards on a level grade at 2 miles per hour       | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent coldness of the extremity  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diminished peripheral pulses  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ischemic limb pain at rest  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trophic changes (thin skin, absence of hair, dystrophic nails)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 or more deep ischemic ulcers  | <input type="checkbox"/> Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Left | <input type="checkbox"/> Both |

**SECTION V - AORTIC ANEURYSM**

5A. HAS THE VETERAN EVER BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH AN AORTIC ANEURYSM?

- YES     NO

(If "Yes," HAS THE VETERAN HAD A SURGICAL PROCEDURE FOR AN AORTIC ANEURYSM?

- YES     NO (If "Yes," indicate type of surgery): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of surgery: \_\_\_\_\_ )

5B. DOES THE VETERAN CURRENTLY HAVE AN AORTIC ANEURYSM?

- YES     NO (If "Yes," indicate severity):

- 5 centimeters or larger in diameter     YES     NO  
 Symptomatic     YES     NO  
 Precludes exertion     YES     NO

5C. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE ANY POST-SURGICAL RESIDUALS DUE TO TREATMENT FOR AORTIC ANEURYSM?

- YES     NO If yes, describe \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If there are symptoms or post-surgical residuals, ALSO complete appropriate Questionnaire according to body system affected)

**SECTION VI - ANEURYSM OF A SMALL ARTERY**

6A. HAS THE VETERAN BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH AN ANEURYSM OF A SMALL ARTERY?

- YES     NO

IS IT SYMPTOMATIC?    If yes, describe symptoms:

- YES     NO \_\_\_\_\_

IF YES, HAS THE VETERAN HAD A SURGICAL PROCEDURE FOR AN ANEURYSM OF A SMALL ARTERY?

- YES     NO If yes, indicate type of surgery: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of surgery: \_\_\_\_\_

6B. DOES THE VETERAN CURRENTLY HAVE AN ANEURYSM OF A SMALL ARTERY?

- YES     NO If yes, is the condition symptomatic?

- YES     NO If yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Also complete appropriate Questionnaire according to body system affected)

6C. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE ANY POST-SURGICAL RESIDUALS DUE TO TREATMENT FOR AN ANEURYSM OF A SMALL ARTERY?

- YES     NO If yes, describe \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If there are symptoms or post-surgical residuals, ALSO complete appropriate Questionnaire according to body system affected)

**SECTION VII - RAYNAUD'S SYNDROME**

7A. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE RAYNAUD'S SYNDROME?

YES  NO (If "Yes," complete this section)

7B. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE CHARACTERISTIC ATTACKS?

YES  NO (If "Yes," indicate frequency of characteristic attacks):

Less than once a week  1 to 3 times a week  4 to 6 times a week  At least daily

**NOTE:** Characteristic attacks consist of sequential color changes of the digits of one or more extremities lasting minutes to hours, sometimes with pain and paresthesias, and precipitated by exposure to cold or by emotional upsets.

7C. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE TWO OR MORE DIGITAL ULCERS?

YES  NO

7D. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE AUTOAMPUTATION OF ONE OR MORE DIGITS?

YES  NO

**SECTION VIII - ARTERIOVENOUS (AV) FISTULA, ANGIONEUROTIC EDEMA OR ERYTHROMELALGIA**

8A. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE ARTERIOVENOUS (AV) FISTULA, ANGIONEUROTIC EDEMA OR ERYTHROMELALGIA?

YES  NO (If "Yes," complete Items 8B through 8G)

8B. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE A TRAUMATIC ARTERIOVENOUS (AV) FISTULA?

YES  NO (If "Yes," indicate site of traumatic fistula):

Right upper extremity  Left upper extremity  Other location, (Specify):  
 Right lower extremity  Left lower extremity

8C. INDICATE FINDINGS:

<input type="checkbox"/> Edema					
Right upper extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	Left upper extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Right lower extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	Left lower extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
<input type="checkbox"/> Stasis dermatitis					
Right upper extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	Left upper extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Right lower extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	Left lower extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
<input type="checkbox"/> Ulceration					
Right upper extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	Left upper extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Right lower extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	Left lower extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
<input type="checkbox"/> Cellulitis					
Right upper extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	Left upper extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Right lower extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	Left lower extremity	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

8D. CARDIAC

(If related to Arteriovenous fistula, please complete VA Form 21-0960A, Heart Conditions Disability Questionnaire):

Enlarged heart  
 Wide pulse pressure  
 Tachycardia  
 High output heart failure

8E. IS THERE MORE THAN ONE TRAUMATIC AV FISTULA?

YES  NO (If "Yes," provide location and findings for each):

8F. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE ANGIONEUROTIC EDEMA?

YES  NO (If "Yes," indicate severity and frequency of characteristic attacks):

<input type="checkbox"/> With laryngeal involvement	<input type="checkbox"/> Without laryngeal involvement
<input type="checkbox"/> Lasts 1 to 7 days	<input type="checkbox"/> Lasts 1 to 7 days
<input type="checkbox"/> Lasts longer than 7 days	<input type="checkbox"/> Lasts longer than 7 days
<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs once a year or less	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs once a year or less
<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs 1 to 2 times a year	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs 1 to 2 times a year
<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs 2 to 4 times a year	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs 2 to 4 times a year
<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs 5 to 8 times a year	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs 5 to 8 times a year
<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs more than 8 times a year	<input type="checkbox"/> Occurs more than 8 times a year

**SECTION VIII - ARTERIOVENOUS (AV) FISTULA, ANGIONEUROTIC EDEMA OR ERYTHROMELALGIA (Continued)**

**NOTE:** Characteristic attack of erythromelalgia consists of burning pain in the hands, feet or both, usually bilateral and symmetrical, with increased skin temperature and redness, occurring at warm ambient temperatures.

8G. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE ERYTHROMELALGIA?

YES  NO (If "Yes," indicate severity and frequency of characteristic attacks):

- Does not restrict most routine daily activities
- Restricts most routine daily activities
- Occurs less than 3 times a week
- Occurs at least 3 times a week
- Occurs daily
- Occurs more than once a day
- Lasts an average of more than 2 hours each
- Responds to treatment
- Responds poorly to treatment

**SECTION IX - SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA OF VASCULAR ORIGIN**

9A. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE A BENIGN OR MALIGNANT NEOPLASM OR METASTASES RELATED TO ANY OF THE DIAGNOSES IN THE DIAGNOSIS SECTION?

YES  NO

9B. IS THE NEOPLASM:

BENIGN  MALIGNANT

(If malignant, indicate status of disease)

Active

- Surgery, describe \_\_\_\_\_
- Antineoplastic chemotherapy
- Radiation
- Other, describe \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated date of final treatment (surgical, antineoplastic, chemotherapy, or other \_\_\_\_\_)

Remission

- Surgery, describe \_\_\_\_\_
- Antineoplastic chemotherapy
- Radiation
- Other, describe \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated date of final treatment (surgical, antineoplastic, chemotherapy, or other \_\_\_\_\_)

9C. DOES THE VETERAN CURRENTLY HAVE ANY RESIDUAL CONDITIONS OR COMPLICATIONS DUE TO THE NEOPLASM (including metastases) OR ITS TREATMENT, OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY DOCUMENTED IN THE REPORT ABOVE?

YES  NO (If "Yes," list residual conditions and complications (brief summary):

9D. IF THERE ARE ADDITIONAL BENIGN OR MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS OR METASTASES RELATED TO ANY OF THE DIAGNOSES IN THE DIAGNOSIS SECTION, DESCRIBE USING THE ABOVE FORMAT:

**SECTION X - MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES**

10A. HAS THE VETERAN HAD AN AMPUTATION OF AN EXTREMITY DUE TO A VASCULAR CONDITION?

YES  NO (If "Yes," ALSO complete VA Form 21-0960M-1, Amputations Disability Benefits Questionnaire)

10B. DOES THE VETERAN USE ANY ASSISTIVE DEVICE(S) AS A NORMAL MODE OF LOCOMOTION, ALTHOUGH OCCASIONAL LOCOMOTION BY OTHER METHODS MAY BE POSSIBLE?

YES  NO (If "Yes," identify assistive device(s) used.) (Check all that apply and indicate frequency):

- |                                       |                   |                                     |                                  |                                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair   | Frequency of use: | <input type="checkbox"/> Occasional | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular | <input type="checkbox"/> Constant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brace(s)     | Frequency of use: | <input type="checkbox"/> Occasional | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular | <input type="checkbox"/> Constant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crutch(es)   | Frequency of use: | <input type="checkbox"/> Occasional | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular | <input type="checkbox"/> Constant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cane(s)      | Frequency of use: | <input type="checkbox"/> Occasional | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular | <input type="checkbox"/> Constant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walker       | Frequency of use: | <input type="checkbox"/> Occasional | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular | <input type="checkbox"/> Constant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | Frequency of use: | <input type="checkbox"/> Occasional | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular | <input type="checkbox"/> Constant |

**SECTION X - MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES (continued)**

10C. IF THE VETERAN USES ANY ASSISTIVE DEVICES, SPECIFY THE CONDITION AND IDENTIFY THE ASSISTIVE DEVICE USED FOR EACH CONDITION:

10D. DUE TO A VASCULAR CONDITION, IS THERE FUNCTIONAL IMPAIRMENT OF AN EXTREMITY SUCH THAT NO EFFECTIVE FUNCTION REMAINS OTHER THAN THAT WHICH WOULD BE EQUALLY WELL SERVED BY AN AMPUTATION WITH PROSTHESIS? (*Functions of the upper extremity include grasping, manipulation, etc., while functions for the lower extremity include balance and propulsion, etc.*)

YES, functioning is so diminished that amputation with prosthesis would equally serve the veteran.

NO

(If "Yes," indicate extremity(ies.) (Check all extremities for which this applies):

Right upper

Right lower

Left upper

Left lower

10E. FOR EACH CHECKED EXTREMITY, DESCRIBE LOSS OF EFFECTIVE FUNCTION, IDENTIFY THE CONDITION CAUSING LOSS OF FUNCTION AND PROVIDE SPECIFIC EXAMPLES (*Brief summary*):

**SECTION XI - OTHER PERTINENT PHYSICAL FINDINGS, COMPLICATIONS, CONDITIONS, SIGNS, SYMPTOMS, AND SCARS**

11A. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE ANY OTHER PERTINENT PHYSICAL FINDINGS, COMPLICATIONS, CONDITIONS, SIGNS OR SYMPTOMS RELATED TO THE CONDITIONS LISTED IN THE DIAGNOSIS SECTION ABOVE?

YES  NO

IF YES, DESCRIBE (*brief summary*):

11B. DOES THE VETERAN HAVE ANY SCARS (*surgical or otherwise*) RELATED TO ANY CONDITIONS OR TO THE TREATMENT OF ANY CONDITIONS LISTED IN THE DIAGNOSIS SECTION ABOVE?

YES  NO

IF YES, ARE ANY OF THESE SCARS PAINFUL OR UNSTABLE; HAVE A TOTAL AREA EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 39 SQUARE CM (*6 square inches*); OR ARE LOCATED ON THE HEAD, FACE OR NECK? (An "unstable scar" is one where, for any reason, there is frequent loss of covering of the skin over the scar.)

YES  NO

IF YES, ALSO COMPLETE VA FORM 21-0960F-1, SCARS/DISFIGUREMENT.

IF NO, PROVIDE LOCATION AND MEASUREMENTS OF SCAR IN CENTIMETERS.

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_ MEASUREMENTS: length \_\_\_\_\_ cm X width \_\_\_\_\_ cm.

**NOTE:** If there are multiple scars, enter additional locations and measurements in Comment section below. It is not necessary to also complete a Scars DBQ.

11C. COMMENTS, IF ANY:

**SECTION XII - DIAGNOSTIC TESTING**

**NOTE:** An ankle/brachial index is required for peripheral vascular disease or aneurysm of any large artery (other than aorta), arteriosclerosis obliterans or thrombo-angiitis obliterans (Buerger's disease) if not of record, or if there has been an intervening change in the veteran's peripheral vascular condition.

12A. HAS ANKLE/BRACHIAL INDEX TESTING BEEN PERFORMED?

YES  NO  UNABLE TO PERFORM (Provide reason): \_\_\_\_\_

(If "Yes," provide most recent results):

Right ankle/brachial index: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Left ankle/brachial index: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

12B. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SIGNIFICANT DIAGNOSTIC TEST FINDINGS AND/OR RESULTS?

YES  NO

If yes, provide type of test or procedure, date and results (brief summary):

**SECTION XIII - FUNCTIONAL IMPACT AND REMARKS**

13. DOES THE VETERAN'S VASCULAR CONDITION(S) IMPACT HIS OR HER ABILITY TO WORK?

YES  NO

(If "Yes," describe impact of each of the Veteran's vascular condition, providing one or more examples):

**SECTION XIV - REMARKS**

14. REMARKS (If any)

**SECTION XV - PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE**

**CERTIFICATION** - To the best of my knowledge, the information contained herein is accurate, complete and current.

15A. PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE		15B. PHYSICIAN'S PRINTED NAME	15C. DATE SIGNED
15D. PHYSICIAN'S PHONE AND FAX NUMBER	15E. NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFIER (NPI) NUMBER	15F. PHYSICIAN'S ADDRESS	

**NOTE** - VA may request additional medical information, including additional examinations, if necessary to complete VA's review of the veteran's application.

**PRIVACY ACT NOTICE:** VA will not disclose information collected on this form to any source other than what has been authorized under the Privacy Act of 1974 or Title 38, Code of Federal Regulations 1.576 for routine uses (i.e., civil or criminal law enforcement, congressional communications, epidemiological or research studies, the collection of money owed to the United States, litigation in which the United States is a party or has an interest, the administration of VA programs and delivery of VA benefits, verification of identity and status, and personnel administration) as identified in the VA system of records, 58/VA21/22/28, Compensation, Pension, Education and Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Records - VA, published in the Federal Register. Your obligation to respond is voluntary. VA uses your SSN to identify your claim file. Providing your SSN will help ensure that your records are properly associated with your claim file. Giving us your SSN account information is voluntary. Refusal to provide your SSN by itself will not result in the denial of benefits. VA will not deny an individual benefits for refusing to provide his or her SSN unless the disclosure of the SSN is required by a Federal Statute of law in effect prior to January 1, 1975, and still in effect. The requested information is considered relevant and necessary to determine maximum benefits under the law. The responses you submit are considered confidential (38 U.S.C. 5701). Information submitted is subject to verification through computer matching programs with other agencies.

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