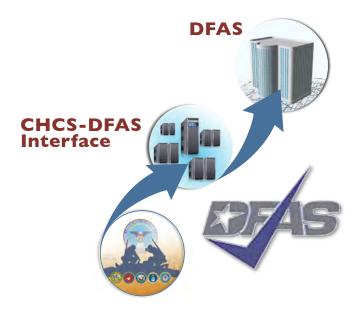
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CHCS-DFAS Interface

CHCS-DEFENSE FINANCE & ACCOUNTING SERVICE INTERFACE

The Composite Health Care System — Defense Finance & Accounting Service Interface provides a mechanism to ensure that essential information transfers to DFAS. The CHCS-DFAS assists with the benefit determination process for the wounded, ill and injured patient community returning from Theater for Garrison medical treatment.

The urgent need to coordinate the delivery of care and benefits provided by the departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs to improve the health of our military, veterans and their families remains a national priority. The CHCS-DFAS Interface began as a result of the Congressional Information Technology Initiative for Wounded Warriors Commission Programs - Line of Action 8. Wounded service members returning from the Theater were, in most cases, treated and eventually returned to active duty, but long delays in updating their duty status through existing manual reporting channels resulted in issues with military pay and/or loss of service member information. For more information, visit us at: www.health.mil/garrison.



Wounded Warriors

EHR Core is a component of the PEO DHCS and the DHA Health IT Directorate.



Key Features

- Extracts wounded warrior admission, discharge and transfer transactions from CHCS and makes them available to DFAS
- ➤ Transfers battle casualty (BC) admission data when a service member admits at any Garrison Military Treatment Facility (MTF) for an injury or illness that occurred in a combat zone
- Provides information when a service member transfers from one MTF to another
- ▶ Notifies DFAS when a service member discharges from an MTF
- Archives Health Level 7 (HL-7) BC coded messages from all Garrison CHCS hosts in a distinct database
- ► Complements the existing data exchange from the Theater Medical Data Store

Key Benefits

- Allows accurate and appropriate benefits, payments and compensation determination for wounded, ill or injured service members returning to CONUS and being admitted, transferred or discharged at Garrison MTFs
- ▶ Replaces manual data processing and provides a streamlined CHCS-DFAS data interface which automates wounded warrior benefits determination processing
- Streamlines financial compensation and termination of compensation for wounded service members coded as battle casualties

