

Action Alert: Tell Congress Veterans Deserve Safer Treatment Options

End high-risk polypharmacy in VA care — mandate written informed consent and fund innovative PTSD treatment centers

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Veterans are being prescribed powerful psychiatric medications, often several at once, without clear written information about the risks. Many were never warned about severe side effects or dangerous drug interactions. Others are left with few PTSD treatment options beyond medication, even when innovative therapies could offer real relief.

This is unacceptable. On Dec. 3, the Senate is holding a hearing to examine medication management in VA care. The VFW is submitting a Statement for the Record because veterans' stories cannot be ignored any longer. Congress must act.

Two House bills would bring real protection and real options:

- H.R.4837, Written Informed Consent Act, would require clear written information before VA prescribes certain psychiatric medications.
- H.R.2623, Innovative Therapies Centers of Excellence Act of 2025, would create five VA centers to expand access to cutting-edge PTSD treatments.

Veterans deserve transparency, safety, and real choices. They do not deserve a maze of prescriptions and side effects.

[Tell Congress to cosponsor these bills and ensure veterans receive the protection, transparency and treatment options they deserve.](#)

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