VA is helping keep **YOU**, and **ONLY YOU**, in control of your benefit payments.

Establish and update your direct deposit information completely online to better protect the benefits you have earned.

**USE OR START A BANK ACCOUNT**
To receive your benefits the most secure way, you’ll need to link to a bank account:
- Use your existing account number and the routing number
- If you don’t have a bank, go to [https://benefits.va.gov/BENEFITS/banking.asp](https://benefits.va.gov/BENEFITS/banking.asp) to get a no cost/low cost account and ensure you get fast and secure access to your benefits

**SET UP DIRECT DEPOSIT**
If you want to set up direct deposit or make changes:
- Establish or log onto your VA.gov account at [https://www.va.gov/change-direct-deposit](https://www.va.gov/change-direct-deposit)
- If creating a new account, you will be prompted to create a two-factor authentication
- Establish or update your direct deposit information

**QUESTIONS**
Veterans with questions about the process can call our helpline at: 1-800-827-1000 (TTY:711) Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

**DID YOU KNOW?**
Veterans using direct deposit to receive their VA BENEFITS are less likely to be victims of fraud?

**SECURITY NOTE:** Veterans should *never* disclose their Personally Identifiable Information to an unknown third party and should regularly update their VA.gov and other *account passwords*.

Veterans who suspect they have been a victim of fraud should call VA at **800-827-1000** as quickly as possible.