The Benefits of Home Based Primary Care:

- Maximize functioning
- Minimize institutionalization
- Maintain quality of life

What do Veterans and Caregivers Say?

“I have lots of problems related to my diabetes and it is difficult for me to get to clinic appointments. The VA sends a Nurse, a Dietician, and a Physician Therapist to my home.” - George, Veteran

“After my husband came home from the hospital, a Nurse came out to our home to make sure things were going all right and that we could manage his heart failure. She is helping us to get a visit from a Dietician who can help us learn how to reduce his salt intake and the Nurse Practitioner will be coming back on a regular basis to check on him to see how he is doing. We live in such a rural area that it’s a blessing that they come to us.” - Helen, Veteran’s Wife and Caregiver

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**What is Home Based Primary Care?**

- Health care services provided to Veterans in their homes.
- By an interdisciplinary team
- Supervised by a VA Physician
- For Veterans who have complex health care needs for whom routine clinic-based care is not effective.

**Who is eligible for Home Based Primary Care?**

Since Home Based Primary Care is part of the VHA Standard Medical Benefits Package, all ENROLLED Veterans are eligible if:

- They meet clinical need for the service and it is available.

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**What Services Can I Get?**

If you qualify for Home Based Primary Care, your care plan includes:

- Primary Care **visits by a home physician, nurse practitioner, or physician’s assistant**
- Care management through a nurse practitioner, physician’s assistant or a nurse
- Coordination of your services by a social worker
- Home safety evaluation assessment for assistive devices and therapeutic exercise program
- Mental health services
- Nutrition counseling from a dietician
- Help managing your medications

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**Your Home Based Primary Care Team:**

- **Medical:** The HBPC Primary Care Provider is responsible for your medical care & collaborates with the assigned nurse to:
  1. Identify & meet your medical needs;
  2. Teach you & your family to recognize & manage health problems.
- **Social Work Service:** Provides counseling to you & your family, assisting with the emotional & practical stresses that come with illness & disability. Assists with referrals to community & VA resources; Coordinates follow-up care upon discharge.
- **Psychologist:** Provides counseling to you & your family. Provides information & mental health services such as assessment, screenings, & other preventive services. Assists with commonly experienced problems such as depression, anxiety, PTSD, & dementia.
- **Rehabilitative Medicine:** The therapist evaluates you & your home for special equipment that can be adapted to the home to help you & your family in care activities. Teaches & assists with exercises to increase or maintain mobility & independence.
- **Nutrition:** A dietician will teach you & your family the prescribed diets, offer advice on purchasing & evaluation of food, menu planning & food preparation. Offers information about community nutritional services.
- **Pharmacy:** A pharmacist is on hand to assist with any medication/refill needs.

**The HBPC Provider becomes the Primary Care Provider for Veterans enrolled in Home Based Primary Care.**