



## Camp Lejeune: Past Water Contamination FEBRUARY 2017

From the 1950s through the 1980s, people living or working at the U.S. Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, were potentially exposed to drinking water contaminated with industrial solvents, benzene, and other chemicals. The VA has established a presumptive service connection for Veterans, Reservists, and National Guard members exposed to contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune from August 1, 1953 through December 31, 1987 who later developed one of the following eight diseases: Adult leukemia, Aplastic anemia and other myelodysplastic syndromes, Bladder cancer, Kidney cancer, Liver cancer, Multiple myeloma, Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, and Parkinson's disease.

Veterans who are experiencing these and other health conditions that they think may be related to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune are encouraged to contact their primary care provider and to file a claim with the County Veteran Services Office. The VA reviews and decides disability compensation claims on a case-by-case basis. **Let us help you!**

<http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/camp-lejeune/>

The San Mateo County Veterans Services Office (CVSO) can help you and your family submit claims for benefits to the Department of Veterans Affairs and provide follow up services to ensure that you receive the benefits to which you are entitled. All our services are free and confidential. Contact us today at (650) 802-6598 or visit us at 400 Harbor Blvd., Building B, in Belmont. <http://hsa.smcgov.org/veterans>

### **WHERE TO CONNECT WITH US:**

Tuesdays, 8:30am to 3pm, VA Menlo Park Building #348

February 9th & 23rd, 8:30am-3pm, VA Palo Alto Building #4, Room #B210

February 17th, 8:00am-4:00pm, Peninsula Vet Center

February 22nd 9am-3pm, Cañada College & Skyline College Vet Resource Centers

February 27th 9am-12pm, College of San Mateo Vet Resource Center

### **Veterans Benefit Seminar**

**March 4th, 9am to 12pm**

**345 Middlefield Road Building #3  
Rambo Room in Menlo Park**

The Veterans Crisis Line connects Veterans in crisis and their families and friends with qualified, caring Department of Veterans Affairs responders through a confidential toll-free hotline, online chat, or text. Veterans and their loved ones can call 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1, chat online, or send a text message to 838255 to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Support for deaf and hard of hearing individuals is available. <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/>

