BLIND REHABILITATION SERVICE VISUAL IMPAIRMENT SERVICES OUTPATIENT REHABILITATION (VISOR)

The mission of Blind Rehabilitation Service (BRS) is to assist eligible Veterans and active duty Service members with a visual impairment in developing the skills needed for personal independence and successful reintegration into the community and family environment.

ELIGIBILITY

The eligibility of prospective patients to receive BRS care is determined by the review of 3 key criteria:

- 1. Veteran is eligible for VA health benefits (or is an active duty Service member) and
- 2. Possesses a visual impairment or
- 3. Has received a designation of excess disability (impact on functional abilities).

VISOR PROGRAMS

- VISOR programs are outpatient rehabilitation clinics in which advanced ambulatory low vision care services are provided
- Temporary lodging may be offered by the local VA Medical Center for short stay programs
- Low vision optometry exam and functional vision evaluation
- Provide assessment and therapeutic instruction on how to maximize remaining vision to complete tasks, such as accessing printed material, financial management and food prep/kitchen safety
- Training on how to use assistive technology to address functional deficits as a result of visual impairment
- Assessment and instruction to increase awareness of the environment and safety

LOCATIONS

- Battle Creek, MI
- Buffalo, NY
- Denver, CO
- Houston, TX
- Lebanon, PA
- Lyons, NJ
- **Richmond**, VA
- Minneapolis, MN
- Washington, D.C.

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