

Privacy collection notice – Veterans’ Health Week 2024

This collection notice outlines how the Department of Veterans’ Affairs (**DVA**) collects and handles your personal information in compliance with the *Privacy Act 1988* in relation to photographs and recordings made at a Veterans’ Health Week event.

Any personal information provided to us will be handled in accordance with this privacy collection notice and our Privacy Policy.

Who is collecting your personal information?

Your personal information is being collected by the Department of Veterans’ Affairs & the Repatriation Commission and the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission (ABN 23 964 290 824).

We are collecting your personal information from the Ex-Service Organisation that is running the Veterans’ Health Week event that you are attending.

What personal information is being collected?

We collect information about you which may include:

- Your name, telephone number/s, email address, residential or postal address, signature and next of kin details.
- A photograph or recording that contains your image.

We will only collect sensitive information about you where that information is apparent from the photograph or recording, such as your racial or ethnic origin or an apparent physical injury or disability.

Why is your personal information being collected?

The photographs or recordings collected that include your image may be used by DVA in publications, social media, presentations, websites, posters and newsletters. Your name and other personal information may be used to verify your consent to the use of your image.

We may also use your information where reasonably necessary for one of our other functions or activities, for example for the purposes of audit, data analytics, continuous improvement, policy and program evaluation and for new programs to perform our functions and activities under our legislation.

Who will we disclose your personal information to?

We may publish your image and name (where you have consented to this). This means it will be generally available to members of the public, including overseas.

We may disclose your personal information to other agencies or organisations, including media organisations, for similar usage.

We may also disclose your personal information to our contracted service providers where reasonably necessary for one of our functions or activities, for example to Services Australia which stores our data on our behalf.

How will we manage your personal information?

We will store your personal information securely. Your personal information will only be sent to service providers that are contractually obliged to ensure adequate information security measures are in place to store and manage that information.

What will happen if we don't collect your personal information?

If you do not provide your personal information and consent for the use and publication of your image, we will be unable to use the image in our publications.

Our Privacy Policy

You can find out more about accessing and/or correcting your personal information with us, making a complaint and about our approach to managing personal information via our privacy policy which you can find at www.dva.gov.au/privacypolicy. For information about our privacy policy, please contact our Privacy Officer on 1800 VETERAN (1800 838 372) or email privacy.enquiries@dva.gov.au.