

Here are the components needed to file a claim for compensation.

There must be a confirmed medical diagnosis of a disability.

**General definition of a disability:** illness or physical limitation.

There needs to have been an occurrence associated with the confirmed disability while on active duty.

After reviewing your medical records there must be an established medical connection between your disability and the occurrence on active duty.

**Note:** All three of these components must be present in order for your claim to move through the process for consideration of compensation with the Veterans Administration.