



Patriot Application and Acceptance Process

1. Patriot is referred to NCHV either by outside organization, family, or self-referred.
2. Client Care Council (CCC) receives referral and assigns a member to conduct initial screening telephonically.
 - a. CCC Member conducts phone interview with referring person.
 - i. Identify referring person's relationship to Patriot.
 - ii. General background of Patriot's military service, current behaviors, and referrer's assessment of Patriot's need.
 - iii. Identify Patriot's external support structures, if any, which will help or hinder participation in NCHV programs.
 - b. CCC Member conducts phone interview with potential Patriot.
 - i. Verify military service/veteran status.
 - ii. Assess willingness and ability to move to Valor Farm and participate in work, program, and community events.
 - iii. Initial assessment of problematic behaviors.
 - c. CCC Member provides application documents to potential Patriot and referring person and recommends they work together to ensure full, accurate completion.
3. Potential Patriot completes application and Pre-Patriot forms, with referring person when possible, and submits to CCC.
4. NCHV Program Director conducts background and records checks.
5. CCC discusses potential Patriot's case and decides to accept or refer.
 - a. Referral: NCHV Program Director works with outside organizations to find suitable resource and conduct "warm handoff."
 - b. Acceptance: NCHV Program Director informs candidate (now a Pre-Patriot) of acceptance into program and assists Pre-Patriot and referring person in planning Pre-Patriot's move to Valor Farm.
6. If Pre-Patriot can't move to Valor Farm immediately, Program Director and assigned coach utilize virtual connectivity to assist socialization and sustainment of Pre-Patriot prior to arrival at Valor Farm.
7. Pre-Patriot moves to Valor Farm and enters the Pre-Patriot program.
 - a. Pre-Patriot completes one week orientation, including farm and construction work, equine therapy, and local area tour.
 - b. While waiting for his Patriot cohort to begin, Pre-Patriot uses time available in established work program and select guided study according to interests and time available.



8. Patriot transitions to Patriot Program and enters Orientation and Assessment phase with cohort.