



# Hands Off the VA

## Hands off staffing!

- The VA is chronically understaffed.
- The Trump administration plans to fire 80,000 staff.
- 30% of VA employees are veterans, many disabled veterans.

## Hands off VA funding!

- Funds for private sector care increased by 17% and now consume 1/3 of the VA budget. VA funds increased by only 5% in 2024 .
- Studies show VA care is equal to or better than private sector care.
- The VA is valued by veterans with 92% trusting their VA care.

## Hands off VA research!

- Care of veterans with cancer, traumatic brain injury and other problems has stopped with funding cuts to clinical trials.
- The shingles vaccine, nicotine patch, cardiac pacemaker, state of the art prosthetics and so much more come from VA research. VA research benefits all Americans.

Help keep the VA the strong, competent veteran-centric medical care system it is by going to

**[www.veteransforpeace.org](http://www.veteransforpeace.org)**

Sign up for SOVA *Updates* to send letters to your members of Congress telling them to keep their hands off the VA. Congress is writing bills to curtail the VA's ability to provide the holistic, veteran-centric, high-quality care it delivers. Your help is needed to advocate for veterans.

Save Our VA (SOVA) is a project of Veterans for Peace working to fully fund, fully staff and expand VA care thus honoring the nation's promise to veterans.

