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### MOAA (VC01) VIRTUAL CHAPTER

MOAA Uniformed Services Nurse Advocates Virtual Chapter is the first Virtual Chapter

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No meeting in April

**Next meeting**  
**Wednesday, 21 May 2025**

**MG Jeffrey Clark, USA (Ret)**  
**"WarDocs"**

You will receive an e-mail with Zoom web link. Members are encouraged to use computer audio and mute after signing into the presentation.

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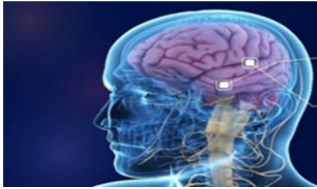
5 Star Col. Marvin J. Harris  
Communications Award



Priority for funding



Reinstated Policy has impact



New treatment coverage



Making new connections

## Major Richard Star Act Reintroduced in House, Senate

Lawmakers in both the Senate and House recently reintroduced the Major Richard Star Act, a bill which would provide combat-injured retirees with their full earned benefits. Find out more on the need to support this bill [HERE](#)

## The Impact of Addictions

The director of mental health for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Services Policy and Oversight, said the DOD emphasizes prevention and early detection practices. Read further [HERE](#)

## TRICARE Improves Coverage of Early Alzheimer's Treatment

MOAA has worked to fix this coverage gap since the 118th Congress alongside stakeholders like The Military Coalition (TMC). Find out more on this coverage improvement [HERE](#)

## Veteran Buddy Link helps Veterans seeking friendship and support

Together We Served's new free service connects Veterans with other local Veterans and has launched a new free service called 'Veteran Buddy Link' to assist Veterans. More on this program [HERE](#)

## MUSNAVC News

### Advocacy in Action 2025

#### YOUR SUPPORT IS IMPERATIVE

MOAA's annual advocacy event will bring members from across the nation to Washington, D.C. in April to meet with lawmakers as part of our ongoing work to advance our legislative agenda. Find out how you may support our effort [HERE](#).

Advocacy in Action (AiA) is MOAA's biggest event of the year. It's time for MOAA members to gather — whether in person or remotely — and raise our voice. In April, we're rallying to take our message to Capitol Hill and speak up for issues that matter to the uniformed services community.

If you have articles of interest or for further contributions, contact us via email at [musnavc@gmail.com](mailto:musnavc@gmail.com)

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## Call for Action – Legislation Action Center

A major focus of MUSNAVC is advocacy. This is particularly important for issues involving health care. When you respond to a "request for action", please be sure to fill in the Chapter block at the bottom of the form. **Putting "VC01" in the block helps us document and track our level of involvement.** Thank you for your support. Please use [THIS LINK](#) to support Take Action efforts.

## MOAA Council and Chapter News

Read the latest news and updates from MOAA Council and Chapters. Here are several interesting and important items for your reading pleasure. [READ NEWS HERE](#)

## MOAA's Military State Report Card/Legislation

MOAA has consolidated the annual State Report Card. The maps assess each state on the taxability of military retired pay and whether or not states have enacted legislation addressing servicemember issues tracked by the Defense State Liaison Office. Find out more [HERE](#)

## MOAA National

Persons interested in learning more about the national organization of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) can follow this link [www.moaa.org](http://www.moaa.org).

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