



Our Veterans are at Risk

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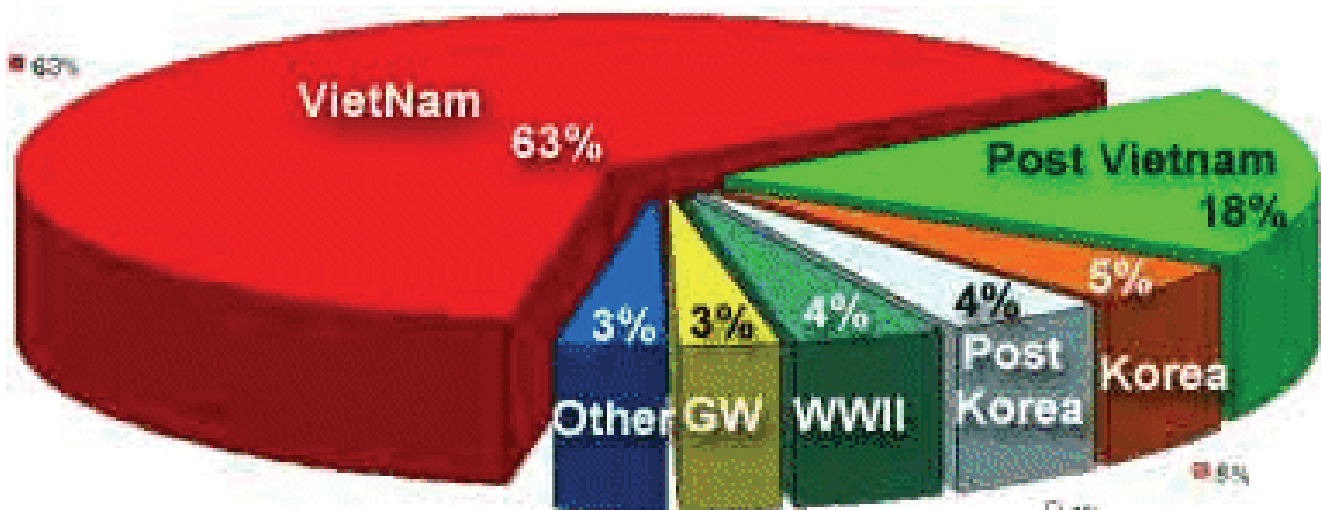
- Vietnam Veterans = 63-64%
- Post Vietnam era = 18%
- Korean Era = 5%
- Post Korean Era = 4.2%
- Gulf War = 3%
- Other = 3%

In U.S. Veterans:

- March 1999: 26,000 VA patients were tested for Hepatitis - 8-10% had Hepatitis C
- VA Hospital - Washington, DC 1998: 20% of inpatients had Hepatitis C
- VA Hospital, San Francisco 1998: 10% of inpatients had Hepatitis C

Risk Factors Before 1992

- Blood to blood contact
- Transfusions
- Tattoos
- Shared Toothbrush
- Jet Injectors
- Medical Contact (Medics Etc.)
- Hemodialysis (Blood filtering)
- IV Drug Use
- Sexual Contact



Recommendations for Prevention and Treatment of Hepatitis C Virus and HCV-Related Chronic Disease, MMWR, CDC, Oct. 16, 1998, Pgs.1

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