

# The New Mexico Department of Veterans Services

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## **DVS to Continue Operating Via Telework Assistance**

**SANTA FE**--New Mexico veterans, eligible dependents, and unmarried surviving spouses of deceased veterans should continue to contact the Department of Veterans Services by telephone to access services, Secretary Judy Griego announced today.

DVS offices will remain closed, and agency employees will continue providing services via telework, despite some relaxing in the state's COVID-19 closing orders.

Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham's revised and extended emergency public health order, which takes effect Saturday, allows non-essential businesses including offices and call centers to resume operations at no more than 25 percent capacity.

The new order encourages continued telework to the greatest extent possible, and Secretary Griego said this is why DVS offices will remain closed.

"We've been able to serve our veterans and keep both them and our workers safe, so that's what we'll continue to do," she said.

Veterans, eligible dependents, and unmarried surviving spouses of deceased veterans needing help with their VA or state veterans' benefits can contact any DVS Veterans Service officer listed below. Assistance is provided on a first-call, first-served basis. Live video conferencing can also be arranged by contacting the VSO.

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