



U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program Alumni Status (AWAP)

AW2 Background

Eleven years ago, the Army took an historic step in creating the U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program (AW2) to provide personalized support to its most severely wounded, ill and injured through their recovery and transition. Since its creation in 2004, AW2 supported these Soldiers and their Families throughout their recovery and transition, even into Veteran status, and has supported more than 24,000 severely wounded, ill and injured Soldiers, Veterans and their Families and Caregivers.

What is AWAP?

AW2 constantly evaluates ways to improve its approach to support recovery and care, and as a result, the Army will implement the U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program Alumni Status. Currently, each and every severely wounded, ill and injured Veteran in AW2 is proactively contacted by Advocates whether they reached self-sufficiency or not. With the introduction of the Alumni status, Army Veterans who reach self-sufficiency and meet established criteria will transition into Alumni status where they will no longer be actively case managed. However, AW2 Alumni will retain reach-back to an AW2 Advocate and AW2 program overall if the need arises. This means AW2 will be able to focus advocacy services on those Soldiers and Veterans who require direct advocacy on a regular basis without breaking faith with those who have achieved self-sufficiency and achieved Alumni status.

How Do I Qualify for AW2 Alumni Status

To be eligible for AWAP, a Veteran must meet the following conditions:

1. Have enrolled in the AW2 program within 180 days post transition to Veteran status.
2. Must be on the Permanent Disability Retirement List (PDRL).
3. Been dual case managed by AW2 and VA point of contact for a period of 90 days.
4. Have all core issues addressed in the areas of Family support, benefits, medical and employment or financial.
5. Have been educated on the Soldier For Life program.

How will I know if I am in the AW2 Alumni program?

Veterans who meet the AWAP criteria outlined above, will be informed by their Advocate and educated on the relevant facts of transitioning to the AW2 Alumni program.

May I request to be an AW2 Alumnus?

Yes, you may request to be moved into AW2 Alumni status by contacting your assigned Advocate or the AW2 Contact Center (877) 393-9058. Following your request, your case will be reviewed, and you will be contacted with the findings.

If I am in AWAP and need help, can I call AW2?

Yes. Because our Nation is forever grateful for your service and sacrifice, AW2 Alumnus will always retain reach back to the AW2 program for needed support and assistance. Just call the AW2 Contact Center at (877) 393-9058.