If you are an ex-member of the UK ARMED FORCES, have ever served in the SERVICES either as a Regular or Reservist, then it is important that you inform your GP. Anyone who has served is known as a ‘Veteran’ regardless of whether their service was ‘active’ or when it was they served.

It is important that your DEFENCE SERVICE MEDICAL RECORD is linked to your civilian medical record.

There are certain referral pathways and services that are offered specifically to ‘veterans’ but this cannot be done if your GP doesn’t know about you.

Being flagged as a veteran means you are more likely to receive specialist veteran care and consideration, and GPs can refer you to specialist veteran services if you need them

Please take this to your GP, hand it in, ask a friend or family member to do this for you. The receptionist will ensure it is dealt with correctly:

**Name: Date of Birth:**

**Address:**

**NHS. No if known:**

Please be aware that I am Ex Military Service Personnel and need to ensure that this is coded in my medical record.

**Please use the following code:**

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| **(XaX3N) Military veteran** | **753651000000107** |

It is important that your **DEFENCE MEDICAL SERVICES** record and your GP Medical record can be linked up; if you have your medical summary form **(FMed133A)** please provide a copy to the receptionist.

If you do not have paper record summary or the above form then please indicate below which arm of the forces you served in and the surgery can arrange for a request to be sent for access to the medical records:

For Royal Navy/Royal Marines: NAVYINM-RNServiceLeavers@mod.gov.uk :

For British Army: APC-sp-disclosures3@mod.gov.uk :

For Royal Air Force: Air-COSPers-Disclosures@mod.gov.uk :