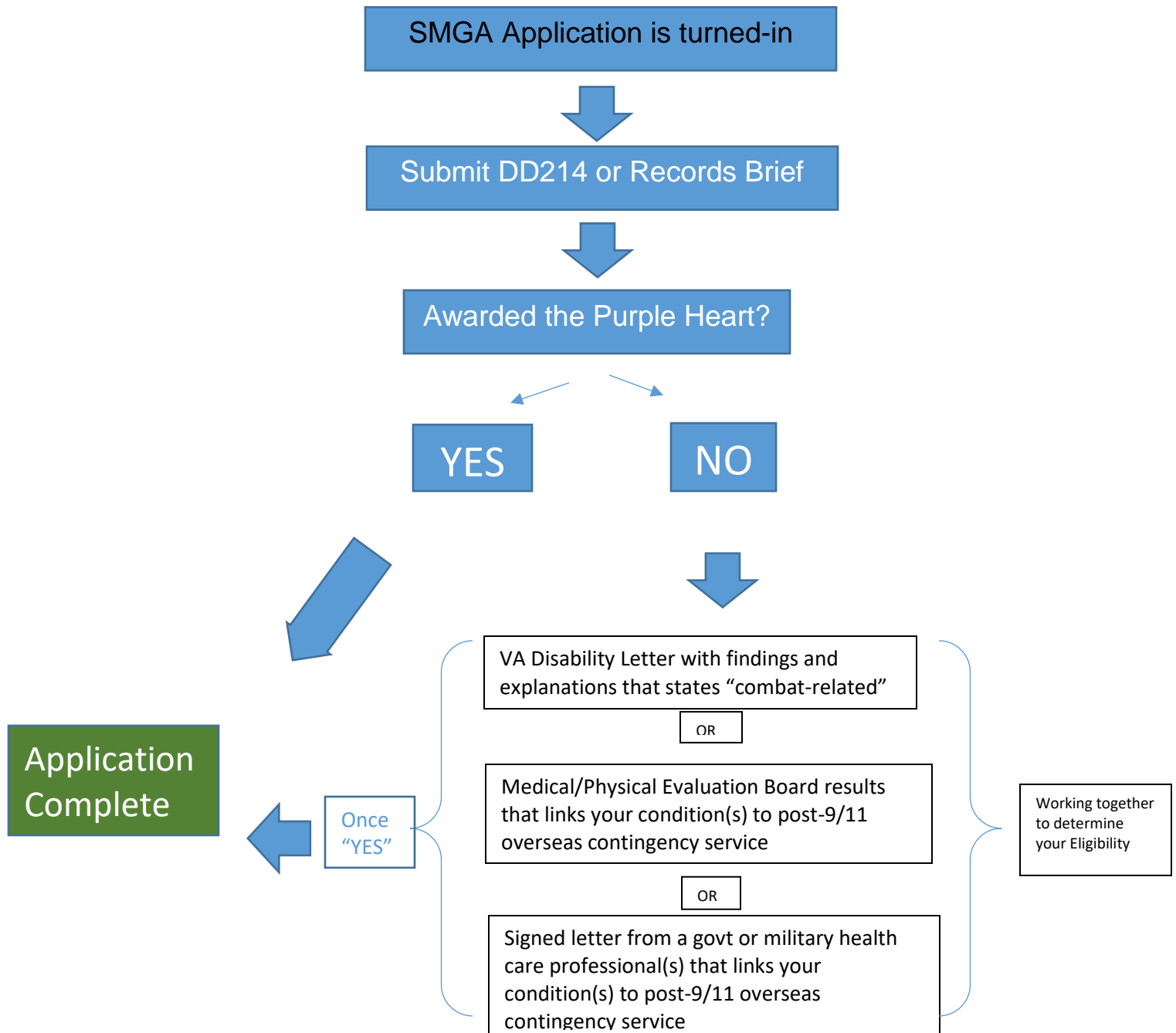


Documentation Guidelines

Below is a list of common documents used for Membership and Participation eligibility review. The purpose of the review is to verify that your injuries *occurred post 9/11 while conducting overseas contingency operations*. Combat-related disabilities are clearly distinguished from Service-related.

Please make sure to cross/mark out from all documents any and all sensitive personal identifying information (e.g. Social Security number) and also those specific details that you consider private.





Below are some resources for help in getting the required documentation for SMGA Membership.

BY PHONE

1-800-827-1000 (VA Benefits)

You can call the main service number above and request for documents to be resent to you.

IN PERSON

You can go visit local VA offices and fill out release of information and have documents sent to you. Please use the link below to search for the closest regional benefits offices.

<http://www.va.gov/directory/guide/division.asp?dnum=3&isFlash=0>

ONLINE



You can log in to you eBenefits online account and access medical documents from the VA.

1. Visit the Main Page - <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage>
2. Click on 'Manage Records' - <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/manage>
3. Click on the 'Health Care' box - <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/manage/health>
4. In 'Health Records' click on VA Medical Records. (This will then take you to Myhealthvet.gov)
5. Login and you can access your VA documents.