### FAQ

#### Is VetChange only for people with PTSD?

- No, VetChange was designed especially for those who have posttraumatic stress disorder, or PTSD.
- It can be helpful for anyone who is trying to cut back on their drinking.

# Do I have to be in treatment to use VetChange?

- No. VetChange can be used by people who are not in treatment.
- It contains information and tools to help you develop healthier drinking habits and improve your overall well-being.
- If you do work with a health care professional, talk to them about how VetChange can be used to support your treatment.

#### Where does my information go?

- When you use a VA mobile mental health app, no data that could be used to identify you is sent to VA or third parties.
- Any information that you enter into the app, such as names, phone numbers, or images, cannot be accessed, stored, or shared by VA.
- For more information, read the full privacy policy for mobile mental health apps: www.ptsd.va.gov/appvid mobile/#privacy

For more information about VetChange, please visit: www.ptsd.va.gov/appvid/mobile/ VetChange\_app.asp

Do you have any questions or concerns about VetChange? We would love to hear from you! MobileMentalHealth@va.gov





# VETCHANGE

VetChange is a mobile app that can help you build skills to reduce or quit drinking and develop healthier coping behaviors.

> "Great app. Lots of helpful info!" - Android User, 2021



Available for mobile iOS devices (iPhone, iPod touch, and iPad) and Android phones and tablets.

## **SET GOALS**



- Track your drinking in real-time with a daily log
- Set personal goals to reduce drinking
- View your progress over time and better understand your drinking patterns
- Stay motivated to make changes with daily feedback



- Build skills to manage your urges to drink
- Learn self-help tools to cope with PTSD and strong emotions without drinking
- Distract yourself until urges to drink pass

# LEARN AND GET SUPPORT



- Get information on healthy drinking guidelines
- Understand the basics of effective goal setting
- Learn about the relationship between alcohol and PTSD symptoms, such as sleep issues and anger
- Connect with people who can help