Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) for Surviving Spouses and Children

Student Handout

Practical Exercise

**Directions**: Use your knowledge and skills that you have learned in this lesson to complete the following questions.

1. **What three laws can DIC be paid under?**

1. **Which law requires that the deceased Veteran be rated 100% for 10 years preceding death?**

1. **Which law determines entitlement to DIC when the cause of death was attributable to hospital care in a VA facility?**
2. **True or False: If a surviving spouse remarries after age 47, he/she may retain eligibility for DIC.**
3. **How long prior to the death of a Veteran does a surviving spouse need to be married to him/her for?**
4. **What is the DIC rate payable to a surviving spouse, entitled to A/A as of 12-01-2017?**
5. **True or False: A child claiming DIC benefits can also be entitled to the full amount of Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) payments.**
6. **Where can you find current SBP payment information?**
7. **Who creates a debt to recoup SBP overpayment?**
8. **What additional form must be submitted for a child claiming DIC, if he/she is between the ages of 18 and 23 and attending school?**