## **Call for Stories**

## Veterans' Healthcare on the Home Front

*Narrative Inquiry in Bioethics* will publish a collection of personal stories from war veterans (combat and non-combat) about meeting their health care needs. Veterans' stories may address a variety of health care needs, and a variety of health care settings.

We would like to hear about both positive and negative experiences with health care systems. The stories should give readers a sense of what it is like to try to meet health care needs as a war veteran. We want true, personal stories in a form that is interesting and easy to read. **Please share this invitation and guide sheet with appropriate individuals**.

In writing your story, please consider these questions:

- What do you want to tell us about your experience as a war veteran seeking health care to meet your medical or mental health needs? *Please share a particular story describing what happened, how you felt, and how you reacted. If they are brief, you may share more than one incident or experience.*
- What about your experience was positive? What was negative? Was anything surprising?
- What could have been done, or could be done, differently to improve your experience?
- What would you want to tell veterans who are about to return to the home front about meeting their health care needs?

You do not need to address each of these questions—write on the issues that you think are most important to share with others. If you are not a writer, tell your story in your own words and our editorial staff will help you.

If you are interested in submitting a story, we ask you **first to submit a 300-word proposal**—a short description of the story you want to tell. **Inquiries or proposals should be sent to the editorial office via email:** narrativebioethics@gmail.com.

We plan to publish 12 stories (4-10 double-spaced pages or 800-2000 words) on this topic. Some additional stories may be published as online-only supplemental material. We also publish 2-4 commentary articles that discuss the stories that are published in the journal. To see a finished symposium you may access *Narrative Inquiry in Bioethics* Volume 3.1 for free on Project MUSE.

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