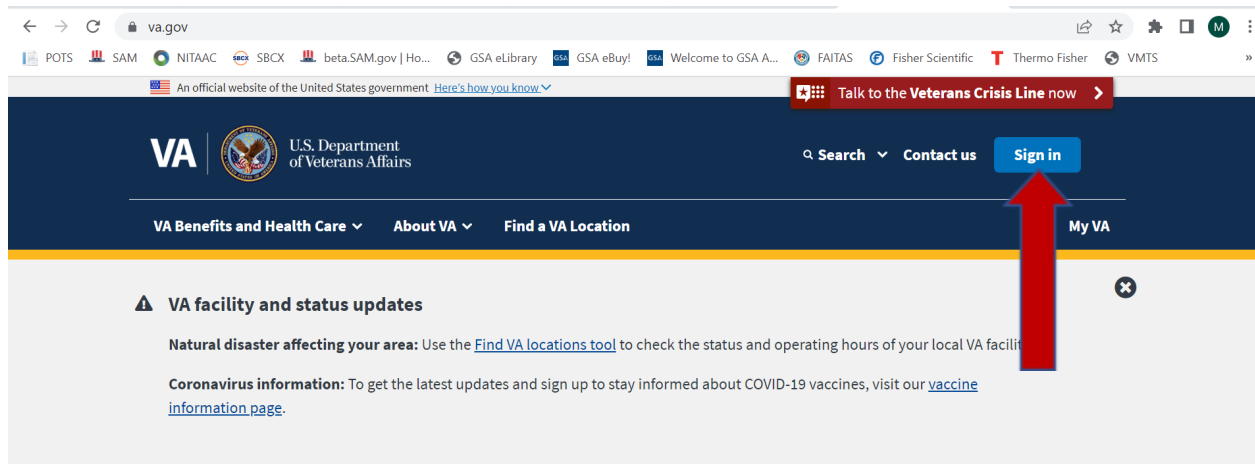
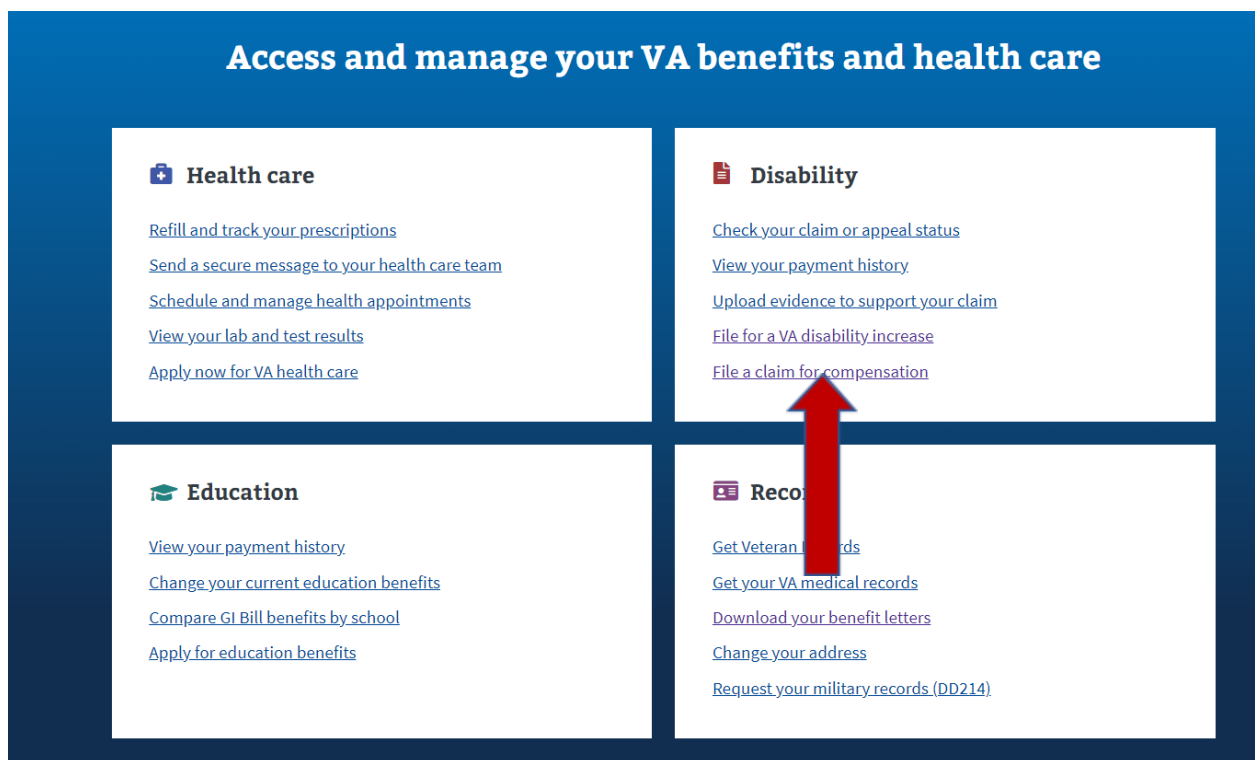


## STEP 1: Go to [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov) and sign in



## STEP 2: Select "File a claim for compensation"



### STEP 3: Answer the following questions and hit the button for “File disability claim online”

Are you on active duty right now?

Yes

No



Answer the question accordingly

Are you filing a new claim or are you disagreeing with a VA decision on an earlier claim?

I'm filing a claim for a new condition or for a condition that's gotten worse.

I'm disagreeing with a VA decision on my claim.



Answer the question accordingly

Based on your responses, you'll file for disability benefits using **VA Form 21-526EZ**.

**File a disability claim online**



[Learn about other ways you can file a disability claim](#)

STEP 4: Select the button for “Start the Disability Compensation Application”

# File for disability compensation with VA Form 21-526EZ

Equal to VA Form 21-526EZ (Application for Disability Compensation and Related Compensation Benefits).

**i** **Note:** Since you’re signed in to your account, we can prefill part of your application based on your account details. You can also save your application in progress and come back later to finish filling it out.

[Start the Disability Compensation Application »](#)



# File for disability compensation

✓ **Your Intent to File request has been submitted**

Thank you for submitting your Intent to File request for disability compensation. Your Intent to File will expire on May 10, 2023.

**Please note:** We found a previous Intent to File request in our records that expired on December 10, 2022. This ITF might have been from an application you started, but didn't finish before the ITF expired. Or, it could have been from a claim you already submitted.

[What is an Intent to File? ▾](#)



**Intent to file is submitted.**

