

# Audit Report: Unlawful Use of VA Benefits

## Report Summary

This report presents the findings of an internal audit conducted regarding the unlawful use of Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits. The audit covers the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023, and aims to identify potential misuse and recommend actions for improvement.

## Findings

- Unauthorized access to beneficiary accounts was detected in 12 instances.
- About \$25,000 in VA benefits were disbursed to ineligible individuals.
- Weaknesses were found in the beneficiary verification process.

## Recommendations

- Strengthen the beneficiary authentication procedures.
- Implement regular audits and random sampling of benefit disbursements.
- Improve staff training on detecting fraudulent activity.

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