

**VFW 118th National Convention**  
**New Orleans Louisiana**  
**Ernest A. Morial Convention Center**  
**Tentative – July 22-26, 2017**

*All meetings are held in the convention center unless otherwise noted.  
Times for various functions are subject to change.  
Meeting rooms will be posted closer to conference dates and are subject to change*

**Saturday, July 22, 2017**

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	VFW Health Fair
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	VFW/Registration/Exhibits
8:00 a.m.	National Veterans Service Advisory Committee
9:00 a.m.	Vander Clute Memorial Motorcycle Ride
10:30 a.m.	Budget and Finance Committee
1:30 p.m.-3:30 pm.	National Council of Administration Meeting
4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Conference Meetings
6:00 p.m.	Catholic Mass
6:00 p.m.	Protestant Service
7:00 p.m.	Veterans Service Resolutions Committee (for Chairmen)

**Sunday, July 23, 2017**

7:00 a.m.	Gold Star Families Reception
7:00 a.m.	Catholic Mass
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	VFW Health Fair
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	VFW Registration/Exhibits
8:30 a.m.	Joint Memorial Service
10:00 a.m.-12Noon	VFW Riders Meeting
10:00 a.m.-Noon	Membership Workshop
10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	Veterans and Military Support Committee Meeting
10:00 a.m. – Noon	Veterans Benefits Forum
10:00 a.m. – Noon	National Legislative Service Meeting
11:00 a.m. - Noon	1 <sup>st</sup> Time Attendees Reception ( <i>Meet &amp; Greet First time Convention attendees</i> )
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	VFW Programs Workshop <i>1:00-2:00 Mental Health Panel discussion 2:00-3:00 VFW Programs Town Hall 3:00-4:00 Mental Health Panel Discussion</i>

**Committee Meetings:**

1:45 p.m.	Resolutions Committees
2:00 p.m.	National By-Laws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual

**Resolutions Committees:**

2:00 p.m. Finance and Internal Organization (200 series)  
2:00 p.m. General Resolutions (300 Series)  
2:00 p.m. National Security and Foreign Affairs (400 series)

**Sunday, July 23, 2017 (cont.)**

2:00 p.m. National Veterans Service Resolutions (600 series)  
Sub-committee I – Health  
Sub-committee II– Benefits  
Sub-committee III–Economic Opportunities/Other

3:30 p.m. Membership Recruiting Seminar

**Monday, July 24, 2017**

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Health Fair  
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Registration/Exhibits  
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Joint Opening Session  
1:00 p.m. -4:00 p.m. Business Session  
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p. m. National Outstanding Community Service Post Reception

**Tuesday, July 25, 2017**

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Health Fair  
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. VFW Registration/Exhibits  
8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. VFW Business Session  
12:45 p. m.-2:30 p.m. **2017-2018** Incoming CIC (*Dept. Cmdrs.*) Luncheon *by invitation*

12:45 p.m.-2:00 p.m. All-American Commanders Lunch *ticketed event*  
1:00 p.m. -2:30 p.m. **2017-2018** Senior Vice Commander/Senior Vice President lunch *by invitation*

1:00 p.m. -2:30 p.m. **2017-2018** Junior Vice Commander/Junior Vice President lunch *by invitation*

2:00 p.m. -3:00 p. m. Planning Your Legacy  
2:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. Women Veterans: Strong and Growing  
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Chaplains Workshop  
2:00 p.m - 3:00 p.m. Grants and Fundraising Ideas for Posts  
3:00 p.m - 4:00 p.m. OMS User Feedback  
3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. National Home  
6:00 p.m. Patriotic Celebration

**Wednesday, July 26, 2017**

8:00 a.m.	Business Session /Nomination/Election/Installation of Officers
11:00 a.m.	National Council of Administration (immediately following installation)
4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Commander-in-Chief's and National President's Reception (Ticketed Event)

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