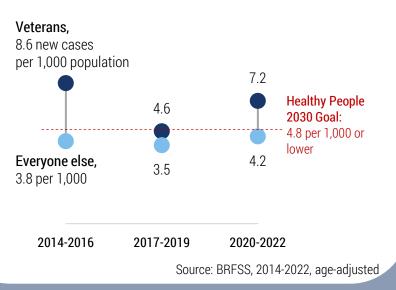
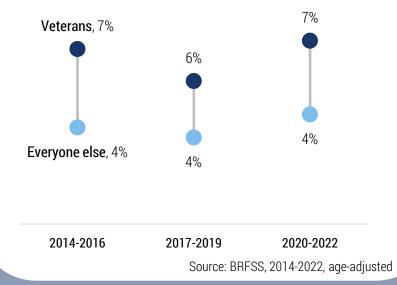
Diabetes in Montana among veterans

Due to the significant health disparities veterans experience in Montana, the Montana Diabetes Program (MDP), in collaboration with the CDC, will tailor and focus projects and funding related to diabetes prevention and management to this population.

The incidence of diabetes among veterans has typically been above the Healthy People 2030 Goal.



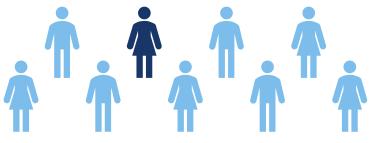
The prevalence of diabetes among veterans has consistently been higher than among everyone else.



What is MDP doing to address this disparity in the next few years?

- We have set goals to increase priority population participation in Montana's National Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) 15% by 2029. Among National DPP sites that report to the MDP, only 40 veterans have enrolled in the program since 2015 (5% of participants with reported veteran status).
- We are rolling out diabetes support programs and family healthy weight programs.
- We are contracting with sites to focus on veterans as a priority population for quality improvement in diabetes care and prevention in the healthcare setting.

1 in 9 veterans reported not being able to afford to see a doctor in the past year.



Most veterans with diabetes reported having their feet checked by a healthcare provider in the past year.



Source: BRFSS, 2021 age-adjusted

Veterans with diabetes reported having two other chronic diseases over five times as often as veterans without diabetes.

Veterans with diabetes

Veterans without diabetes

4%

Source: BRFSS, 2020-2022, age-adjusted

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