



THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON

September 6, 2017

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR HEALTH**

**SUBJECT:** Delegation of Authority to the Under Secretary for Health to Award Grants under 38 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 2044, Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF).

1. **DELEGATION.** Authority is hereby delegated to the Under Secretary for Health to award grants under the SSVF Program.
2. **AUTHORITY.** The Secretary's authority in 38 U.S.C. § 2044 and implementing Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) regulations to award grants to eligible entities that are providing or coordinating the provision of supportive services for very low-income Veteran families in permanent housing. Under the terms of 38 U.S.C. § 512, the Secretary may delegate this authority.
3. **RESTRICTIONS.** In exercising this delegation, the Under Secretary for Health will be subject to all restrictions set forth in law and VA policy. This delegation supersedes all previous delegations of authority that may conflict with this delegation.
4. **REDELEGATION.** The authority may be re-delegated to the Assistant Deputy Under Secretary level or Executive Director, Veterans Health Administration, Homeless Programs Office.
5. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This delegation is effective upon signature of the Secretary. The 2-year time limit generally applied to delegations is hereby waived for this delegation. It will remain in effect until rescinded.

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David J. Shulkin, M.D.