VIJS COMMITTEE REGION 4

October, 2023 - March, 2024

VVAFSC VP and I have been in contact with Incarcerated Chapter 1080 (Union Correctional) advisor regarding inadequate medical care being provided to veterans by contracted medical company. A tentative appointment is being set with state Senator to discuss the issue.

Attended VVAFSC Incarcerated Committee meetings in October and March. There was discussion of efforts for VSOs to go into the prisons to take claims, re-entry program and Vets dealing with PTSD.

Participated in zoom meeting hosted by FL West coast state Senator. They stated that there needs to be VSOs assigned to all prisons. Going forward there needs to be focus on vets adequate health care. Answers will be sought from a variety of organizations involved with veterans in prisons.

Discussion with AVVA Zephryhills advisor regarding a separate meeting for her AVVA.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Anne Newman