



Preparing to Serve on a Convention Resolution Committee

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DAV Resolutions & Committees

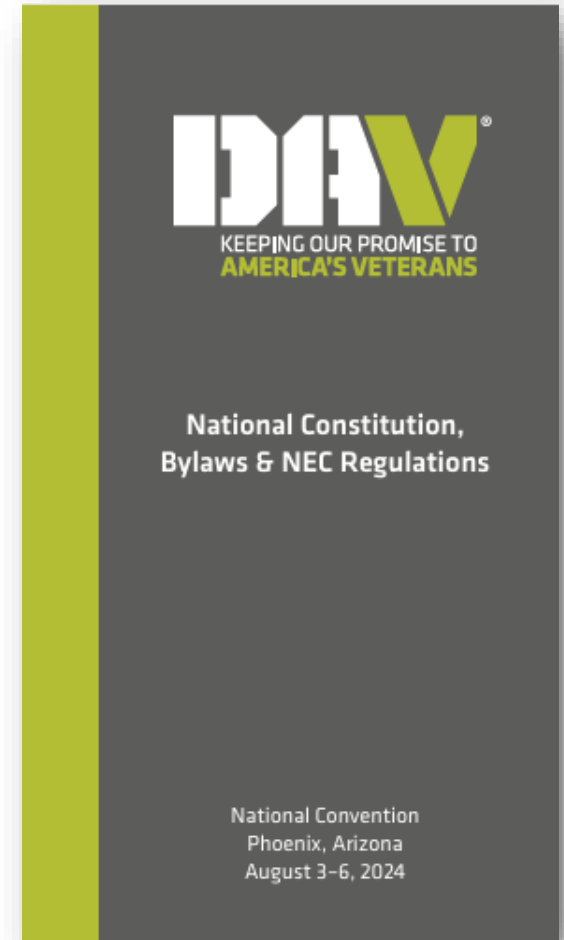
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Importance of DAV Resolutions



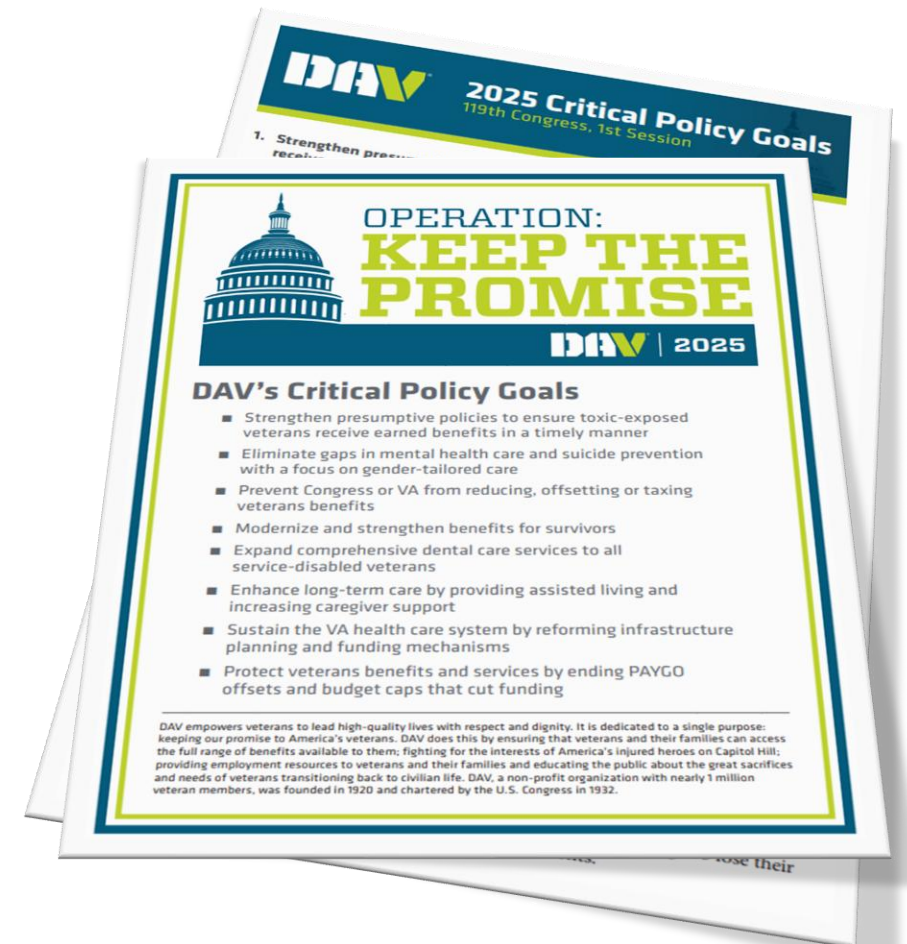
DAV National Constitution & Bylaws

The DAV National Constitution and Bylaws states that the sole authority for our national legislative agenda lies with our annual national convention.



Critical Policy Goals

A resolution shapes DAV's stance on critical veterans' issues and policy concerns. It is our collective voice to improve and protect veterans' benefits, health care, eligibility and access.



Advocacy



Resolutions allow DAV to engage our grassroots, national legislative team and national leadership to advocate for policies and legislative proposals.

DAV Commander's Action Network (DAV CAN)

2024 Actions

- **50** Alerts based on resolutions
- Over **651,000** emails to Congress on legislation based on DAV resolutions



Resolution Process

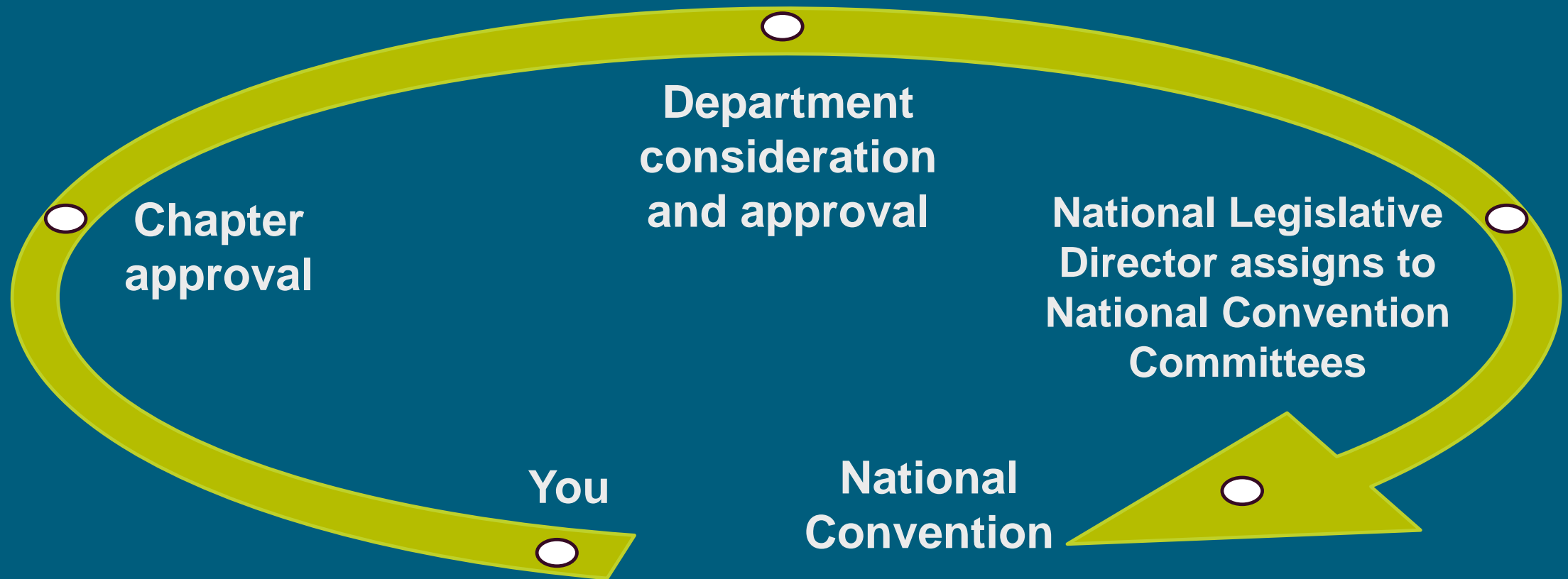


How it Works

**How does the DAV
resolution process
work?**



It Starts With You



Resolution Assignment

Upon receipt of approved resolutions, the national legislative director will assign the resolutions to one of five national convention resolution committees for consideration at the national convention.

Resolutions & Committees at National Convention



Resolution Adoption

DAV's annual legislative program is composed of resolutions adopted by the convention from only four of the five resolution committees.



Those Committees Are:

- Committee on General Resolutions & Membership
- Committee on Legislation and Veterans Rights
- Committee on Employment
- Committee on Hospital and Voluntary Services

Committee Selections

Each convention committee is composed of a primary or an alternate delegate from each national district. These selections are made by each district. The national commander appoints two advisors to each committee to assist the committee and provide expertise on issues brought forth in the resolutions.

Resolution Review

Each committee will review and consider each resolution with the recommendations from the appointed advisors.



Reading of the Resolutions

In general, the committees will not read every resolution. Many of the resolutions brought forward have previously been vetted and reviewed; therefore, usually only the new resolutions will be read in their entirety.

Keep in Mind:

- Be familiar with resolutions
- You can ask for any resolution to be read
- Read the new resolutions ahead of time
- Ask questions during the meetings if you do not understand any of the discussions or votes

Questions





Thank You!

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