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**Jessie Jane Duff** Veterans Choice Act wasn't the president's idea. It was from a lot of work and effort by veterans groups with Congressman Jeff Miller from Florida taking the lead. Unfortunately, the administration has tried to take the funds from the Veterans Choice program, just months after the bill past, to place in other areas of the VA.

The VA's claim was not enough veterans were using the program. This allegation was not honest - when in fact the VA has made the paperwork and criteria to apply quite difficult. To make matters worse, the VA was denying access for veterans who lived under 40 miles - as a crow flies - from a facility but in reality, using roads lived over 40 miles.

Meanwhile, they are still trying to improve the process. You can read some of the efforts by Rep Jeff Miller to sustain the program. <http://www.marinecorpstimes.com/.../whats.../30803623/>