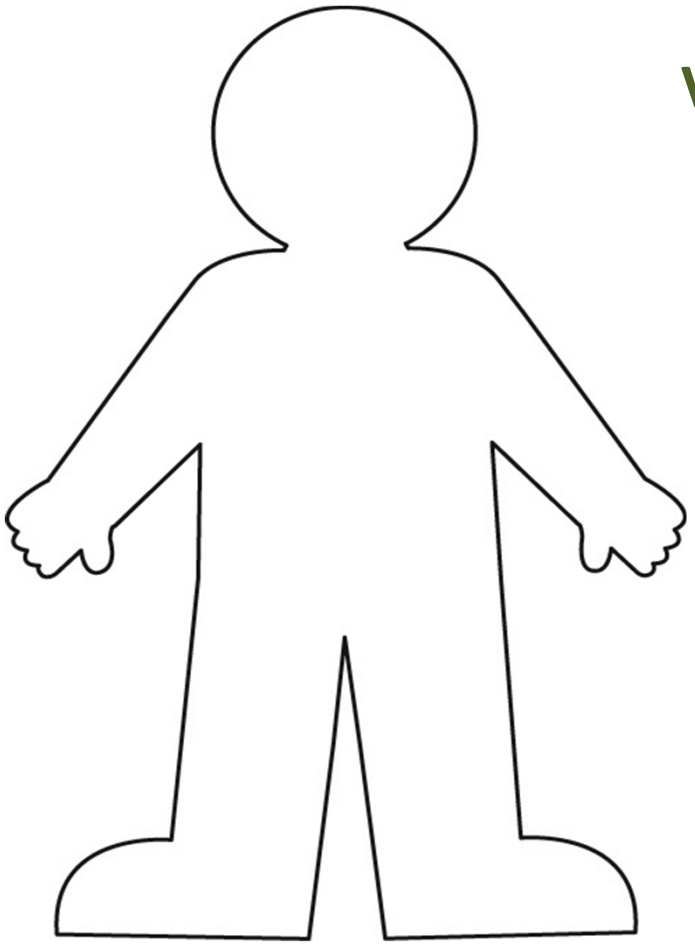
VA MATH



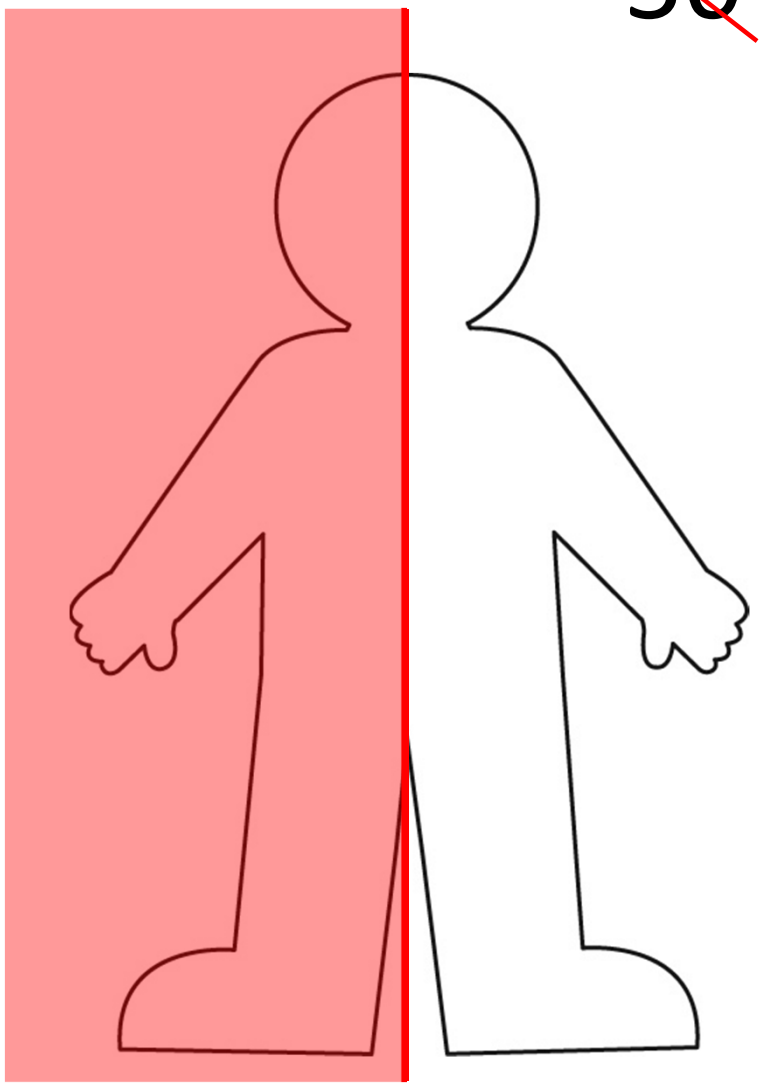
VA math can be very confusing. This is a brief example of how VA math works for compensation ratings:

Lets say you have VA ratings of:

50% for a back condition
50% for Sleep Apnea
30% for knees

HERE'S WHY
50+50+30 does not equal 130%

~~50~~+50+30=?



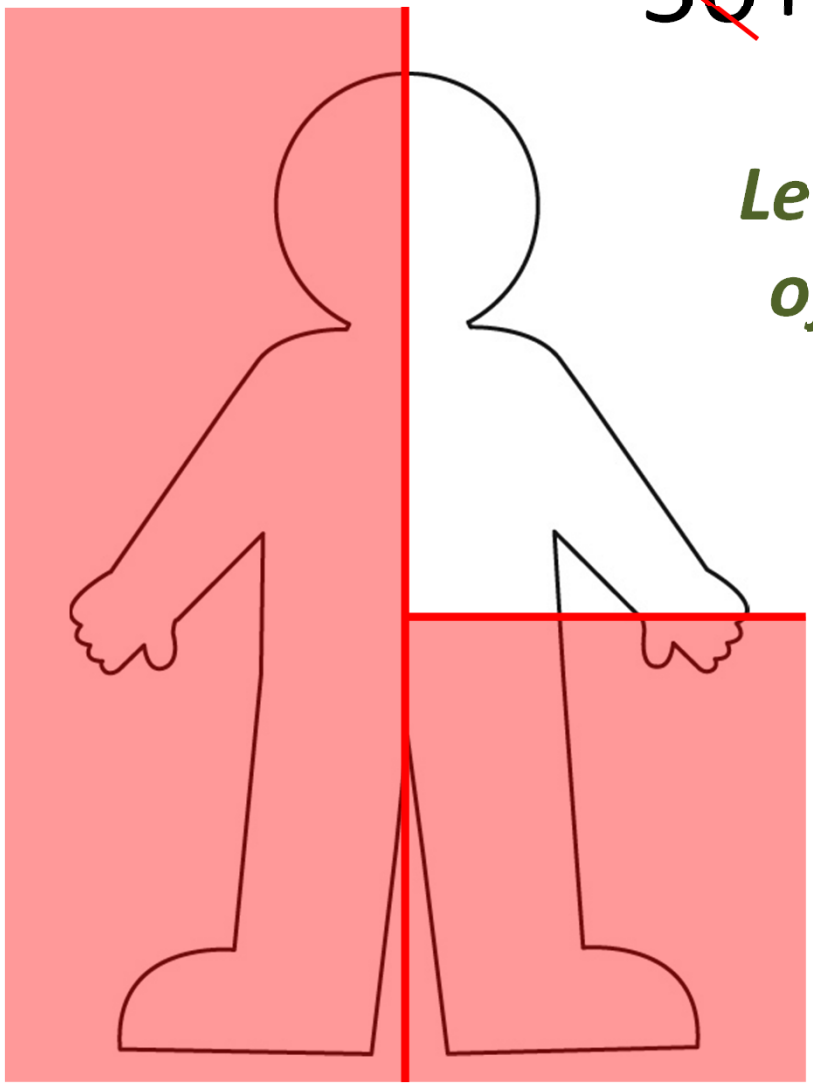
The VA will only apply the rating to the part of the body that is considered healthy or whole.

Subtract First 50%

for back condition

Now 50% of the body is considered healthy

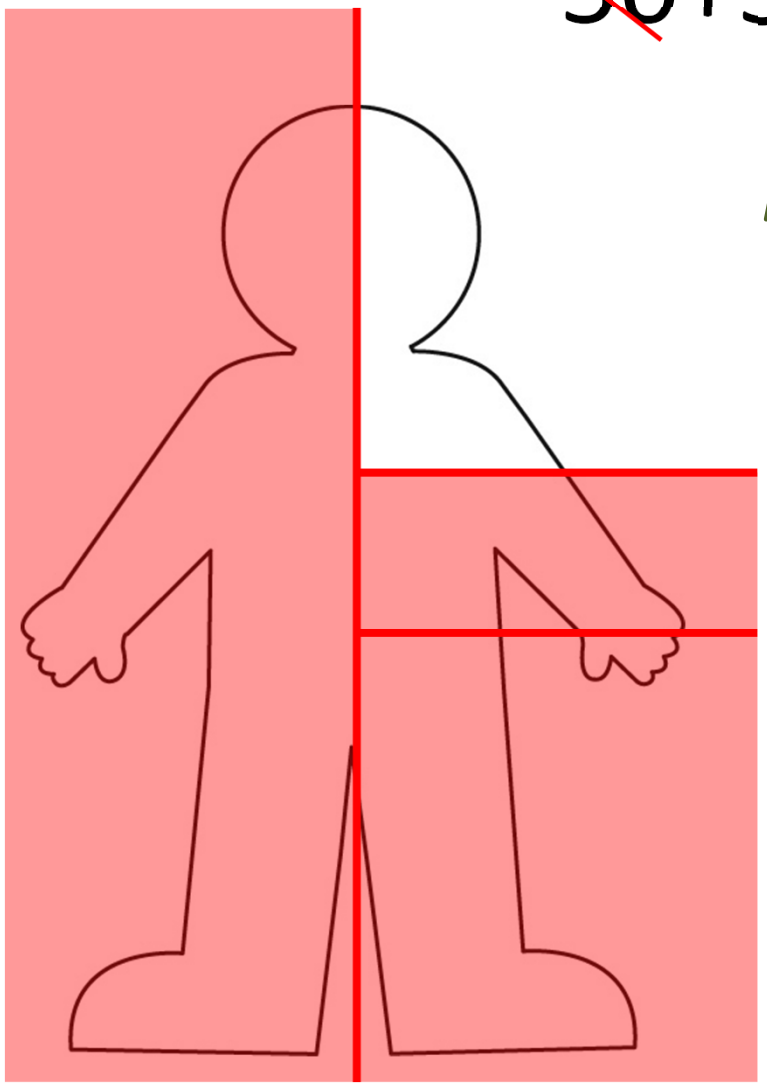
~~50~~+~~50~~+30=?



Let's take the next rating of 50% for sleep Apnea

The next 50% is applied only to the 50% left. 50% of 50% = 25%. Leaving only 25% of the body healthy.

~~50~~+~~50~~+~~30~~=?



Let's take the next rating of 30% for Knees

Since only 25% of the body is considered healthy, the next rating of 30% is only applied to the 25% left which equals 7.5%

50% + 25% + 7.5% = 82.5%

VA rounds up/down so

82.5 = 80% rating