

Veterans Education Benefits Regulations

Chapter 31: Veteran Readiness and Employment

Veteran Readiness and Employment is a program whose primary function is to help veterans with service-connected disabilities become suitably employed, maintain employment, and achieve independence in daily living.

The program offers services to help each eligible disabled veteran reach their rehabilitation goal. These services include vocational and personal counseling, education and training, financial aid, job assistance, and if needed, medical and dental treatment. Services generally last up to 48 months and can be extended in certain instances.

To be eligible, the veteran should first be awarded a monthly VA disability compensation payment (in most cases) and must have received or will receive a discharge that is other than dishonorable. Eligibility is also based on meeting the following conditions:

- did not receive a dishonorable discharge
- a VA service-connected disability (SCD) rating of 10 percent or more
- If discharged from active duty before January 1, 2013, your basic period of eligibility ends 12 years from the later date of:
 - the date you received separation from active duty or
 - the date you received your first VA SCD rating
- If discharged from active duty after January 1, 2013, there is no time limit on your eligibility.

Detailed information and the online application are available at benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/ or contact the Veteran Readiness and Employment program, 3506 West Tyvola Road, Marshall Park Clinic, Charlotte, NC 28208. Telephone: 800.827.1000