Colmery Updates & Next Steps
February 26 and 27, 2020
What to do now

Submit Extension Campuses
Continue to submit new extension campuses to your SAA for approval

Track Students
Ensure you have tracked all students that attended an extension campus between 08/01/18 and 12/01/19

Certify to the Correct Campus
Continue to certify students to the physical location that they are attending classes
What’s Coming Up

**APRIL – DEC 2020**

**107 TRAINING AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Best practices, instruction, and ongoing communications shared with internal and external stakeholders to support recertification process.

**LATE APRIL**

**107 RECERT. PROCESS BEGINS**

Recertification training will be held, and SCOs will begin recertifying for terms between 8/1/2018 and 12/1/2019.

**DECEMBER 2020**

**107 RECERT. PROCESS COMPLETE**

Recertification complete and retroactive payments/waivers issued for all impacted enrollments.
Q: Do schools need to track all Veterans impacted by Section 107?
A: Yes. We are asking schools to track all students who physically participated in classes at multiple campuses, including extension campuses. Section 107 requires that students be paid the housing rate of the location where they physically attend the majority of classes. To accurately account for those enrollments and to reimburse claimants who have been underpaid, we need schools to track and resubmit enrollments at locations that the student physically attended. VA will work with individual schools who have multiple campuses in the same zip code or MHA rate.

Q: How are clinicals, student teaching, independent study and study abroad impacted?
A: Off-campus training MHA (including internships, practicums, externships, clinical rotations, and residencies) will be paid based on the location of the campus where the student is enrolled, as long as the “off-campus training site” does not meet VA's campus definition requirements. VA will release additional guidance soon regarding study abroad. Generally, if the student is attending a foreign institution or a campus in a foreign land for a domestic school, that student will be paid based on the foreign rate.

Q: How is VA taking into consideration schools with large Veteran populations?
A: We are exploring ways to address recertification of enrollments and to determine a path forward with the least impact to schools and Veterans. We encourage schools to help us determine the best approach. Please send your recommended approach to FOREVERGIBILL.VBAVACO@va.gov.

Q: What should students expect in terms of receiving information on overpayments or underpayments due to the December 1, 2019 implementation of Sections 107 and 501?
A: All students who received a monthly housing allowance (MHA) on or after August 1, 2018 will have their accounts reviewed and updated in accordance with Sections 107 and 501. For students who were underpaid, we will notify students via letter if they are going to receive a supplemental payment and when to expect the payment after December 1. For students who were overpaid, VA will automatically review the claim for waiver of the debt and provide additional information on this process.

Q: Will students have to apply or appeal to receive their corrected payments?
A: No. Students will not have to apply or appeal for corrected payments.