



Office of Commissioned Corps Operations  
Division of Commissioned Corps Officer Support  
1101 Wootton Parkway, Plaza Level, Suite 100  
Rockville, MD 20852

## Memorandum

**TO:** Officers of the Commissioned Corps of the U.S. Public Health Service (Corps)  
Applying for Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Education Benefits

**FROM:** Military Personnel Management Specialist

**SUBJECT:** Application for VA Education Benefits

To apply for VA education benefits, Corps officers should download and complete VA Form 22-1990, "Application for VA Education Benefits," from the VA Web site at [http://www.gibill.va.gov/GI\\_Bill\\_Info/education\\_forms.htm](http://www.gibill.va.gov/GI_Bill_Info/education_forms.htm). The form contains instructions which are self-explanatory, but you should read them carefully before completing the form.

You must complete the form and return it to this office at the address below for certification of your eligibility. Once the form is certified it will be returned to you for submission to your school or learning institution and they will forward the application to the nearest VA Regional Processing Office along with certification of your enrollment status. VA education benefits received while on active duty are limited to the cost of tuition and fees.

Send the completed form VA Form 22-1990 to this office at the following address:

Office of Commissioned Corps Operations  
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ATTN: VEA  
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If you have already separated from active duty and are applying for educational benefits, you do not need to send the application form to this office. Instead, you must submit the completed application form and a copy of your "PHS Statement of Service" to the school or training program. Your school will forward the application and certification of your enrollment to the nearest VA Regional Processing Office. The VA Regional Processing Office will certify your application and process it for payment of your benefits. Following are the addresses of the four VA Regional Processing Offices:

### Eastern Region

VA Regional Office  
P.O. Box 4616  
Buffalo, NY 14240-4616

### Southern Region

VA Regional Office  
P.O. Box 54346  
Atlanta, GA 30308-0346

Central Region

VA Regional Office  
P.O. Box 66830  
St. Louis, MO 63166-6830

Western Region

VA Regional Office  
P.O. Box 8888  
Muskogee, OK 74402-8888

After the application has been submitted to the VA, any questions you might have should be directed to the nearest Regional Processing Office. If you have any questions regarding the information in this memorandum, you may call this office at (240) 453-6034.

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