(1) Notice of the provisions of 38 U.S.C. 1163;

(2) Information explaining the purposes and availability of, as well as eligibility requirements and procedures for pursuing a vocational rehabilitation program under Chapter 31; and

(3) A summary description of the scope of services and assistance available under that chapter.

(b) Opportunity for evaluation. After providing the notice required under paragraph (a) of this section, VA shall offer the veteran the opportunity for an evaluation under §21.50 of this part.

(c) Evaluation. The term evaluation hereinafter shall be understood to mean the same evaluation accorded in an initial evaluation and an extended evaluation as those terms are described in §§21.50 and 21.57 of this part.

(d) Responsible staff member. The evaluation or reevaluation will be provided by a counseling psychologist in the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Division.

§§21.6511–21.6513 [Reserved]

§ 21.6515 Formulation of rehabilitation plan.

(a) Formulation of plan. Following an evaluation, the counseling psychologist will formulate an IWRP (individualized written rehabilitation plan) or an IEAP (individualized employment assistance plan) for each participating qualified veteran for whom achievement of a vocational goal is reasonably feasible. These plans shall be prepared in accordance with §21.84 (IWRP) or §21.88 (IEAP).

(b) Existing plan. If the veteran already has undertaken a rehabilitation program under Chapter 31, a new plan shall not be developed unless circumstances indicate that the existing plan should be modified or replaced.

§ 21.6517 [Reserved]

§ 21.6519 Eligibility of qualified veterans for employment and counseling services.

(a) General. A qualified veteran for whom vocational rehabilitation and achievement of a vocational goal are reasonably feasible may be provided the employment and counseling services to which he or she may be entitled under chapter 31. If the qualified veteran is not eligible for such assistance under chapter 31, he or she may be provided, nevertheless, the counseling, placement and postplacement services provided under 38 U.S.C. 3104(a)(2) and (5). The specific services which may be authorized are discussed in §§21.100, 21.252 and 21.254(a).

(b) Services under other VA and non-VA programs. Veterans being provided counseling, placement and postplacement services under §§21.100, 21.252, and 21.254(a) will also be aided in identifying services of other VA and non-VA programs which may be of assistance in securing employment. All elements of a program of these services shall be incorporated in the IEAP.

(c) Veteran elects counseling, placement and postplacement services. If a qualified veteran elects not to undertake the IWRP and is otherwise eligible for counseling, placement and postplacement services under 38 U.S.C. 3104(a)(2) and (5), he or she may be provided those services.

(d) Duration of services under 38 U.S.C. 3104(a)(2) and (5). The services provided under 38 U.S.C. 3104(a)(2) and (5), are limited to an 18-month period of employment assistance as described in §21.73.

§§21.6511–21.6513 [Reserved]

§ 21.6555 [Reserved]

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