**Pension and Fiduciary Service Instructor-led Training Guide**

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| **Lesson Title** | Ratings of Inability to Manage Affairs |
| **TMS Item Number** | VA 4521061 |
| **Learning Hours** | 1.0 |
| **Target Audience** | Mandatory: Trainee Fiduciary Service RepresentativesExperienced Fiduciary Service RepresentativesStation-selected:All other fiduciary personnel |

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# Lesson Description

This course teaches Fiduciary Service Representatives (FSR) about amendments to Fiduciary Program Manual Chapter 7, *Promulgation*, relating to the responsibility of finalizing a rating of inability to manage financial affairs when non-conflicting evidence is received during the due process period. is to provide students with an overview of how to document beneficiary and dependent assets (liquid and non-liquid).

# Lesson Objectives

At the end of the lesson, the student will be able to do the following:

* Discuss background information and the highlights relating to modification of Fiduciary Program Manual (FPM) Chapter 7, *Promulgation*
* Define two new terms introduced into FPM Chapter 7, *Promulgation*
* Identify the impact to references in FPM Chapter 7, *Promulgation, and*
* Identify changes to M21-1 Part 3 references.

# Lesson References

* FPM, Chapter 7, *Promulgation*
* M21-1, Part 3, *General Claims Process*

# Materials and Aids

Lesson materials available in the [VBA Learning Catalog](https://vba-tpi.vbatraining.org/lc/):

* Change Training - Ratings of Inability to Manage Affairs PowerPoint Presentation
* Change Training - Ratings of Inability to Manage Affairs Instructor-led Training Guide

# Training Area and Tools

The following are required to ensure the trainees are able to meet the lesson objectives:

* Classroom or private area suitable for participatory discussions
* Seating, writing materials, and writing surfaces for trainee note taking and participation
* Casework to utilize for demonstration and practical exercises
* Computer with Knowledge Management access and PowerPoint software to present the lesson material

Trainees require access to the following tools:

* VA [Talent Management System (TMS)](https://www.tms.va.gov/learning/user/login.jsp) to self-certify completion of the lesson
* Pension and Fiduciary Service – [Fiduciary Knowledge Management Site](https://vaww.fiduciary.km.va.gov/)
* Compensation Service – [Compensation and Pension Knowledge Management Site](https://vaww.vrm.km.va.gov/system/templates/selfservice/va_kanew/help/agent/locale/en-US/portal/554400000001034)

# Pre-Planning

* Become familiar with all training materials by reading the Instructor-led Training Guide and the PowerPoint slides (including the instructor speaking notes in the notes area below each slide) ahead of time. Preparation will provide you the opportunity to see the connection between all lesson materials, which will allow for a more structured presentation during the training session.
* Locate and prepare any live casework that can be utilized for demonstration and for student practice in the classroom for on-the-job training.
* Become familiar with the content of the various references and FPG articles listed in this guide and their association to the presentation.
* Practice is the best guarantee of providing a quality presentation. At a minimum, do a complete walkthrough of the presentation to practice coordination between the lesson materials, demonstration, and to ensure your timing is on track with the length of the lesson.
* Make appropriate training room reservations and accommodations.
* Ensure the instructor computer and overhead projector work properly.
* Talk to people in your office who are most familiar with this topic to collect experiences that you can include as examples in the lesson.
* This lesson plan belongs to you. Feel free to highlight headings, key phrases, or other information to help the instruction flow smoothly. Feel free to add any notes or information that you need in the margins.

# Printing PowerPoint Instructor Notes

In preparation for the training, print the PowerPoint to include the instructor notes. In PowerPoint, select the following: ***File > Print > Notes Page***. Also, select ***Print on Both Sides*** if your printer allows it to save paper.



# Training Day

* Arrive as early as possible to ensure access to the facility and computers.
* Become familiar with the location of restrooms and other facilities that the trainees will require.
* Test the computer and projector to ensure they are working properly.
* Before class begins, open the PowerPoint presentation to the first slide. This will help to ensure the presentation is functioning properly.
* Make sure that the instructor has login access to any other necessary programs and VBA systems for any demonstration(s).
* The instructor completes a roll call attendance sheet or provides a sign-in sheet to the students. Forward the attendance record to the Regional Office Training Manager when complete.

# Survey and Assessment

Remind the trainees to complete the assessment and survey in TMS to receive credit for completion of the course. The assessment allows the participants to demonstrate their understanding of the information presented in this lesson and the survey provides Pension and Fiduciary Service with feedback and satisfaction on the lesson.

# Questions and Comments

Please contact the Pension and Fiduciary Service – Fiduciary Training Staff with any questions or comments on this Instructor-led Training Guide or the other materials associated with the lesson at  PFTNGQUALOVRST.VBACO@va.gov.