



# **Compensation Service**

# RVSR Competency-Based Training System Diagnostic Assessment

# Employee/Supervisor/Training Manager Readiness Guide

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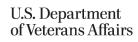






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# **1** Revision History

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# 2 Overview

The Compensation Service (CS) Rating Veterans Service Representative (RVSR) Competency-Based Training System (CBTS) Diagnostic Assessment Readiness Guide (Readiness Guide) will help you gain a better understanding of the assessment and its requirements. CBTS is a fluid and is trend and analysis based.

This Readiness Guide contains:

- RVSR Position Summary
- VBA RVSR Diagnostic Assessment
- VBA Diagnostic Assessment Preparation
- VBA RVSR Badging Process
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
- Appendices
- Customer Support-<u>support@vbatraining.org</u>

## 2.1 Bottom Line Up Front

There are no doubts many questions about what CBTS is and how it will affect the way that VBA trains. Hopefully the following information will assist in creating a better understanding.

- CBTS is an assessment to help employees discover where there are remediation opportunities.
- CBTS is not a Pass/Fail test.
- CBTS is meant to assure efficient training every year with individualized training needs rather than bulk 40 hours mandated training. Training will still be provided beyond that of what is identified in CBTS assessments from various sources.
- An employee simply takes the assessment and is provided with a suggested training plan by CBTS.
- There is no study required. In fact, practice would be detrimental because it is an assessment not a test.
- Training Managers and Supervisors can override the training that has been identified by the assessment results.
- CBTS in in TMS, not in a separate program.
- Training managers and supervisors' access TMS to access CBTS workbenches.
- Employees can use all references or tools they would typically use to process a claim, with the exception that employees must not use other employees (past or present), to assist.
- CBTS is not a certification program, however with badging program can be used to indicate proficiency.
- Employees will still have to take other forms of mandated training as the need arises or trends are identified.
- CBTS, itself is not used for evaluation purposes, for evaluations above or below fully successful, although the completion of training is, as always, a function of performance evaluation.
- CBTS is very much like a "Consistency Study".
- CBTS is for everyone who would have normally been subject to 40 hours of RVSR training. If a person is in a RSVR training cohort then they remain in the CBTS cohort.
- CBTS does not cover special missions at this time, thus special mission training is still required.
- CBTS has a 30-day notification requirement. Employees must be notified 30-days prior to taking assessment.







- Individuals who have not been one year in the position will be able to take the CBTS assessment upon reaching said milestone because CBTS is rolling. New cohorts can take every month as they become experienced processors.
- CBTS is intended to identify processing deficiencies and provide remediation, if necessary, to ensure Veterans receive the service that they deserve.
- CBTS uses information from the CBTS assessments as well as quality control, deferral analysis, leadership requests and national trends to determine and assign training needs.
- CBTS does not preclude Regional Offices from prescribing training to employees.
- Regional Offices should develop Regional Office specific training plans.
- Supervisors have 30 days from the closing of the CBTS assessment period to complete the individual learning plan with employees.
- Employees have 30 days once assigned a remediation course to complete it. All assigned courses should be completed within 60 days of the completion of the assessment period.
- CBTS has rolling assessment periods. Employees will be notified 30 days prior to the assessment period opening that they are required to take the assessment. Once the assessment is assigned the employee has 30 days to complete it. The last assessment for the FY will be held in August of each FY.

# 2.2 Introduction/Background

Until CBTS, claims processors were required to take 40 hours of mandated training every year regardless of their proficiency. CBTS provides an opportunity to individualize training needs and eliminate training that may not be needed. The Compensation Service (CS) Ratings Veterans Service Representative (RVSR) Competency-Based Training System (CBTS) links training and assessments to the technical competencies identified for the RVSR position. Linking technical competencies to training helps to ensure CS employees receive targeted training that meets their specific needs. The CS RVSR CBTS is designed to assess technical competence, identify training based on assessment scores, and, upon review and approval, automatically populate employee Talent Management System (TMS 2.0) "My Learning" lists. This systematic approach to training helps to ensure a competent workforce that possesses the knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) required for responsive, timely, and appropriate benefits service delivery to Veterans, Service members, and their families. CBTS is not a test, however it must still be accomplished individually and without the assistance of anyone else. CBTS is like a consistency study in that it assists you in identifying one's training needs to become the best claims processor one can be.

The competencies being first being evaluated are Claims Processing for RVSRs, Health and Medical Processes, VBA Applications, and Veterans Benefits and Eligibility. The first two that launched for FY 21 are Claims Processing for RVSR's and Health and Medical Processes.

CS will use the results from the RVSR CBTS to obtain national proficiency trends and to assign refresher training each fiscal year (FY) according to the CS RVSR Badging Program. See the Badging Program section located within this guide fordetails.









CBTS is designed to identify individual training needs. CBTS is not designed to replace Regional Office training plans or individual needs identified because of quality control deficiencies. Regional Offices must still ensure that employees are adequately trained to perform their job functions and provide remediation when necessary (see RACI below). Training hours used by stations are not the result of CS mandated requirements, rather Regional Office training needs as identified by the leadership of the Regional Office and in coordination with OFO.

# 3 VBA RVSR Diagnostic CBTS Assessment Structure

# 3.1 RVSR Diagnostic Assessment

CS RVSR Diagnostic Assessment contains multiple-choice single-answer questions that sample the KSAs required for successful job proficiency. These KSAs are linked to one or more of four technical RVSR competencies. The CS RVSR Diagnostic Assessment contains two and each of these assessments contains over twenty-five questions. These questions are linked to the technical competencies, associated KSAs and refresher training. The KSAs are detailed in Appendix A. Examples of the types of questions that are included on the assessment are in Appendix B. Proficiency range descriptions are detailed in Appendix D. The four assessments cover the following technical competencies:

- Claims Processing for RVSRs
- Health and Medical Processes
- VBA Applications
- Veterans Benefits and Eligibility

# 3.1.1 CBTS and Module Assessment Structure

RVSR's have the option to complete the annually assigned CS Diagnostic Assessment as a whole, or to complete each of the individual assessments separately over time during the allotted administration period. The annually assigned CS Diagnostic Assessment must be completed in its entirety within the established deadline, which will be 30-days after initial assignment.

Module assessments directed as result of the CBTS assessment will be required to demonstrate remediation of the identified competency deficiency. Scores for each attempt for module assessments are recorded and reported to district and regional office leadership. A minimum score of 80% will be required to earn competency badges. However, the score should not, and is not intended to, affect employee evaluations. Supervisors are permitted to mitigate the requirement to take the module assessment. Mitigations ofmodule assessments are reported to OFO, district and regional office leadership. Training time for subsequent attempts for any assessment is not provided. The supervisor may also select to award the badge by mitigating scores less than 80% from the assessments.

Employee assessment results will be available upon the employee submitting the assessment for review. All Level II assessments will require a minimum score of 80% for the employee to earn the badge. The employee







may take thecourse and assessment multiple times; however, training time will only be provided for the first attempt.

**Example:** The employee may take the remediation module and assessment. The employee may score less than 80%. The score cannot be used for annual, summary, mid-year evaluations however 80% is necessary to earn the badge (the badge is a demonstration of proficiency). The employee may decide to take the module and remediation until the 80% is achieved, however additional training time isnot provided.

## 3.1.2 CBTS Assessment Access

The CBTS Assessment will be directed through TMS as assigned training. This one course will contain the links needed for any CBTS diagnostic assessments. Once assigned, the link will appear on your TMS 2.0 "My Learning" list. RVSRs will only be able to access the assessments that have been assigned. They will not be able to self-assign. If you do not have a TMS Course associated with the Diagnostic Assessment assigned to you during the beginning of the first quarter, and you are an experienced RVSR (after one year) inform your coach/TM so they can assign it.

To begin the assessments, employees will access TMS 2.0, and navigate to the assigned course. The course names and numbers will vary based on the assessment cycle ask your supervisor to email <u>cptraining.vbaco@va.gov</u> with the subject line: **CBTS Assessment Access**.

RVSRs will be informed of the CBTS assessment at least 30 days before the start of Diagnostic Assessment, the assigned assessments course names and numbers will be available to the RVSR. After the Diagnostic Assessment start date, the employee will have 30 days to complete the assessment. If the assessment is not complete within 30 days, CS will inform teemployee, regional offices, OFO and districts. Results for the assessment will be reported immediately to the employee and within one month for the regional offices, OFO and districts.

# 3.1.3 CBTS Eligibility

RVSR's who are currently in the RVSR NTC 40-hour mandate are eligible for the diagnostic assessment and any remediation assessments. CBTS currently does not include any special missions.

## 3.1.4 Role of the Training Manager

The role of the training manager is the same as it has been for the previous CSNTC program. Training Managers are responsible for ensuring compliance issues are completed. To access the supervisor workbench please enter through the <u>VBA Family Applications Portal</u>. To request a password and user ID please send an email to <u>support@vbatraining.org</u>. Once signed in the manager would go to the Live Assessment Portal. Click on the "menu" tab and select "Student Workbench".







## 3.1.5 Role of the Supervisor

The role of the supervisor, as it relates to CBT, is to review the courses identified for remediation, accept, or reject the training plan outlined for the employee. Supervisors may add or remove courses for the employee, as can leadership, Regional Offices, VACO or training staff. To access the supervisor workbench please enter through the <u>VBA Family</u> <u>Applications Portal</u>. To request a password and user ID please send an email to <u>support@vbatraining.org</u>. Once signed in the manager would go to the Live Assessment Portal. Click on the "menu" tab and select "Student Workbench".

## 3.1.6 Gaining Access to the Student Workbench as a Supervisor or Training Manager.

To access the supervisor workbench please enter through the <u>VBA Family Applications Portal</u>. To request a password or and user ID or customer support, please send an email to <u>support@vbatraining.org</u>. Once signed in the manager would go to the Live Assessment Portal. Click on the "menu" tab and select "Student Workbench".



## 3.1.7 Special Missions

CBTS currently pertains only to RVSR's, regardless of role, who have one year or more in the RVSR position. This includes anyone who is currently assigned to the NTC Cohort mandating 40 hours of training.

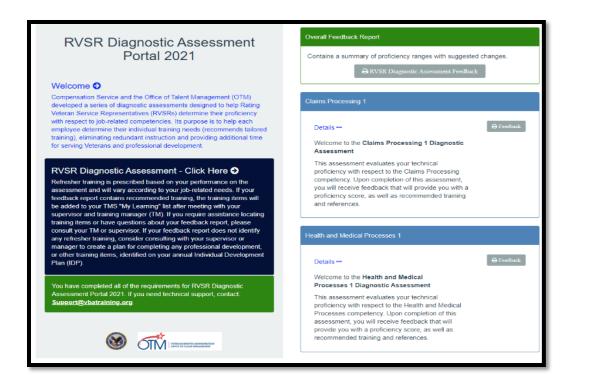
## 3.1.8 Regional Offices

Regional Offices may still assign training that is approved by Compensation Services. Compensation Services does not limit the amount of training that an RO can provide, nor does Compensation Services mandate a specific number of hours.









## 3.1.9 emAssessment Completion

It should take approximately 45 minutes to complete each assessment. After completing each assessment, the employee's score will be calculated, and the Individual Feedback Report will be generated. Completion credit will be awarded in TMS upon the completion of the assigned assessments. The employee must complete the assigned assessments within one month of the assessment being assigned. Assessment results are stored, and an Individual Feedback Report is generated after completing each assessment. After the assigned assessments are completed, the employee's completion credit is awarded in <u>TMS 2.0</u>. Results are accessible to the employee at any time by logging into <u>TMS 2.0</u>. The employee will receive a total of 2.5 hours of TMS credit for completing the initial assessment.

**Note:** It is recommended that each employee print and/or save the Individual Feedback Report at the completion of each assessment for ease of future reference. Refer to the FAQ section of this document for instructions on how an employee may access results in TMS post completion.

If an employee is on leave and is not able to complete the CBTS assessment within the 30-day administration period, the employee will need to work with the TM and your Coach to ensure the assessment is completed upon their return. OFO, regional offices and districts will be notified of the incomplete assessments.

## 3.1.10 Assessment Results

When the employee selects "Submit" on the last assessment question, the system will display a link to download the results. When the employee selects an assessment feedback button from within the assessment portal, a new window









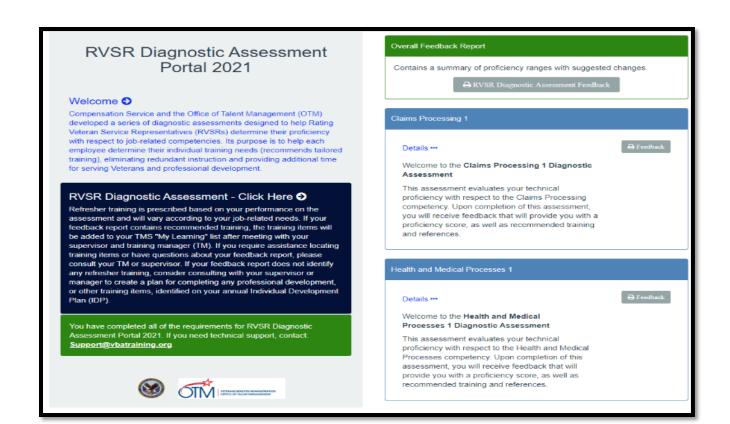
opens to display a feedback report. The employee will always have access to the results through TMS 2.0 from the "My History" section. Refer to the FAQ section of this document on how an employee may access results in TMS post completion. For additional guidance, please refer to the RVSR CBTS Assessment Report Portal Job Aid in Appendix C.

| RVSR Diagnostic Assessment<br>Portal 2021   | Getting Started<br>The VBA RVSR Diagnostic Assessment contains approximately 5 multip<br>choice, single-answer questions that sample the knowledges, skills, and<br>abilities (KSAs) required for successful RVSR job performance. The   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Welcome  Compensation Service and the Office of Talent Management (OTM)<br>developed a series of diagnostic assessments designed to help Rating<br>Vietran Service Representatives (RVSRs) determine their proficiency  | assessment questions are linked to the RVSR technical competencies,<br>associated KSAs, and training.  |  |  |  |
| version concerning independences is purpose is to help each<br>with respect to job-related competencies. Its purpose is to help each<br>employee determine their individual training needs (recommends takered<br>training), eliminating redundant instruction and providing additional time<br>for serving Veterans and professional development.  | Instructions<br>Prior to taking the assessment for credit, you can go through some<br>practice questions. After completing a practice attempt, the 'for credit'<br>assessment will load and you will be able to complete each assigned   |  |  |  |
| RVSR Diagnostic Assessment - Click Here<br>Refresher training is prescribed based on your performance on the<br>assessment and will vary according to your job-related needs. If your<br>feedback report contains recommended training, the training items will<br>be added to your TMS "My Learning" isit after meeting with your<br>supervisor and training manager (TM). If you require assistance locating<br>training items or have questions about your feedback report, please | assessment. If you close the assessment before finishing, your progress<br>will be bookmarked. After completing each assessment, your feedback<br>report will be generated. Completion credit will be awarded in TMS once<br>you complete all 3 assessments and a feedback survey. You will receive a<br>total of 2.25 hours of credit for completing all the assessments. |  |  |  |
| consult your TM or supervisor. If your feedback report does not identify<br>any reflesher training, consider consulting with your supervisor or<br>manager to create a plan for completing any professional development,<br>or other training items, identified on your annual Individual Development<br>Plan (DP).   |  |  |  |  |









# 3.1.11 Feedback Report

| Title |                       | Description  |
|-------|-----------------------|--|
| 1.    | Title                 | This field displays the assessment title as well as the completion date and time.  |
| 2.    | Proficiency Indicator | This field indicates the overall score placed along a continuum of performance indicators ranging from Entry to Advanced.  |
| 3.    | KSAs                  | This field lists the KSAs that are being used to measure the proficiency range<br>for each assessment. Also noted is the number of correct items/total number<br>of items for each KSA (shown in parenthesis). |
| 4.    | Suggested Training    | This field lists the suggested training (lesson title and TMS ID) for each KSA in which the proficiency reaches Advanced range.  |
| 5.    | Required Training     | This field lists the required training (lesson title and TMS ID) for each KSA in which the proficiency did not reach Advanced range.   |









The purpose of the feedback report is to present a snapshot of an employee's technical competency at the KSA level and as required, to offer refresher training recommendations to address competency deficiencies. There are seven Individual Feedback Reports for the seven assessments and one Overall Feedback Report that summarizes the seven assessments. See a sample Individual Feedback Report below. It is recommended that each employee print and/or save the Individual Feedback Report at the completion of each assessment. Refer to the FAQ section of this document on how an employee may access results in TMS post completion.

| 8  | 🐼 Overall Feedback Report               |              |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|  | Student: Doe, Jane                      |              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Assessment   | Completed                               | Proficiency  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dains Processing I   | 07/29/2021 09:38                        | Intermediate |  |  |  |  |  |
| tealth and Medical Pro                                       | acess es 1 07/23/2021 13:33             | Entry        |  |  |  |  |  |
| TMS#   | TMS# Title                              |              |  |  |  |  |  |
| TMS#   | TMS# Title                              |              |  |  |  |  |  |
| ¥X 4075788   | (VSR Challengel Due Process             | 2.50         |  |  |  |  |  |
| VA 4078966   | Mental Disorders                        | 2.50         |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>11 40/8976</b>  | The Musculaskeletel System (Upper Body) | 6.00         |  |  |  |  |  |
| VA 4E0397 Amputation Rule Pyramiding and Muscle Injury       |   |              |  |  |  |  |  |
| VA 441240 Nusculosisletal System - Lower Extremities (Prime) |   |              |  |  |  |  |  |
| ¥A 45005B4   | Rating Reductions                       | 1.75         |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |              |  |  |  |  |  |

# 3.1.12 CBTS Assessment Portal Student Workbench & TMS Assignment

The CBTS Assessment Portal Student Workbench is a platform to assign CBTS refresher training to TMS. It allows the Coach and employee to engage and agree upon a training plan based on an employee's assessment results and the year's centrally assigned badge(s).

The list of refresher training items available for an employee's learning plans is displayed in the Student Workbench after the employee completes the assessments. For each training item, the list includes actions to take, the status of each list item, the TMS ID number, the training title, and the number of hours associated with each training item. Each item can be dismissed or added to TMS. Dismissing an item means to dismiss that item from view and it will not be included in the queue of items to be added to the employee's TMS Learning Plan. Dismissed items can be viewed using the sorting functions at the bottom of the Workbench. A report indicating dismissed items is provided to OFO, regional office leadership and districts.

View the training items associated with each assessment by clicking the drop-down arrow next to the title. Some training items may be associated with several assessments. Several details from the employee's Individual Feedback









Report is provided in the expanded section. These include the status of the training item, whether the training items is required or suggested based upon the assessment outcome, and the date and time each assessment was completed. If courses are suggested it is because the employee scored at a level that the system determined to be proficient, but additional training could help make that employee more efficient. If the system indicates that the employee has required training the training is required unless mitigated by the supervisor. If the supervisor chooses to mitigate training requirements that were required by the diagnostic assessment, it should be based on and justified by "observable" behaviors and quality assessment by the supervisor.

See Appendix C.2 – C.4 for detailed instructions on all the features of the Student Training Workbench and on how to process the diagnostic assessment results.

# 3.1.13 Due Dates for Remediation and Changing Due Dates Once Created

Note: The system automatically assigns a due date for training reflecting the end of the FY. This must be manually altered by the supervisor to reflect 30 days from the date of assignment. The reason for this is that the assessment identified deficiencies in the claims processors knowledge base that may impact how the claims processor evaluates claims, thus it is essential that said remediation take place to ensure claims processing quality.

| * |   |  |                         |                  |               |   |  |              |
|---|---|--|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|---|--|--------------|
|   | 3 | After pressing <b>Select</b> next to an<br>employee's name in the employee list,<br>the workbench for that employee is<br>displayed with a list of required or                   | Required Hours          | ired Hours: 0.00 | Tibbott,<br>o | Diane - (Yr Cyc)<br>16 Items require an a<br>tacks Overal Feed<br>Tets e: | ction. Dismissed Items: 5<br>Dismissed Hours: 6.75                 | Hours        |
|   |   | suggested training items. This list is<br>constructed based upon assessment<br>results. For each training item, the list   | Add to TMS              | New              | Completed On  | Q VA 3857049  | VRE M28R PART VI Employment<br>Services (Flavised)                 | 1<br>Hours   |
|   |   | includes actions to take, the status of<br>each list item, when and if the training  | O Dismiss<br>Add to TMS | New              | companie on   | Q, V.A. 3870500   | ✓ VRE Retroactive Reimbursement for<br>Chapter 33 Under Chapter 31 | 1            |
|   |   | has been completed, the TMS ID number,<br>the training title, and number of hours  | Olismiss<br>Add to TMS  | Status<br>New    | Completed On  | TMS #:<br>Q. Y.A. 40131011  | Title:<br>VRE-IL-Refresher-01-Understanding<br>the IL Program      | Hours<br>0.5 |
|   |   | associated with each training item.  | Sort 8<br>By            | Stat. ~ 1        | Status New    | - Assess  | imer All 🗸 Bodge 🖌   | a v          |
|   |   | Two actions are available for each<br>training item:   |                         |                  |               |   |  |              |
|   |   | <b>Dismiss</b> – Allows the supervisor to<br>dismiss the training item from the<br>current view.   |                         |                  |               |   |  |              |
|   |   | <b>Add to TMS</b> – Submits the training item to the employee's TMS Learning Plan.   |                         |                  |               |   |  |              |
|   |   | Once you have added an item to an<br>employee's TMS Learning Plan and want<br>to modify the required date, you must<br>first remove it from the employee's TMS<br>Learning Plan. |                         |                  |               |   |  |              |
|   |   | Warning:   |                         |                  |               |   |  |              |
|   |   | If the employee has already started the item, the steps below will not impact the item.  |                         |                  |               |   |  |              |









| 3a | To change the Required Date after a TMS<br>item has already been added to an<br>employee's TMS Learning Plan, perform<br>these steps within the employee's record<br>in the Student Training Workbench.<br>a. Change Status filter to Added | Nor<br>Nor<br>Financi, Alber<br>Derwei<br>Norm<br>Norm<br>Norm<br>Norm<br>Norm<br>Norm<br>Norm<br>Norm  |
|----|---|---|
|    | <ul> <li>b. Locate the item to be modified<br/>and click the green Complete By<br/>date. Then click the X Remove<br/>button. The item disappears from<br/>the list.</li> </ul>  | Complete By<br>1022<br>17 03 Entitlement<br>Remove this from TMS<br>Cancel Remove   |
|    | c. Change Status filter to Removed.   | N<br>Nov<br>Resultable<br>Second<br>Northy State (* 1) New State<br>Northy State (* 1) New State<br>Northy State (* 1) New State<br>Northy State (* 1) New State (* |
|    | d. Click on the orange Removed On<br>date, then select the <b>Change</b><br><b>Status</b> button.   | Change the status back to New.  |
|    | e. Change Status filter to New or All.  | A<br>Im<br>Prima<br>Constant<br>All<br>All<br>All<br>All<br>All<br>All<br>All<br>Al   |
|    | f. Locate the item and follow the<br>steps to add with a completion<br>date of 30 days after the day<br>assigned.   | Add Training Rem         This here will be added to the students learning plan.         TMS       TMS         TMS       VRS.ACT.CD.Enstemment         Image: VRS.ACT.CD.Enstemment   |
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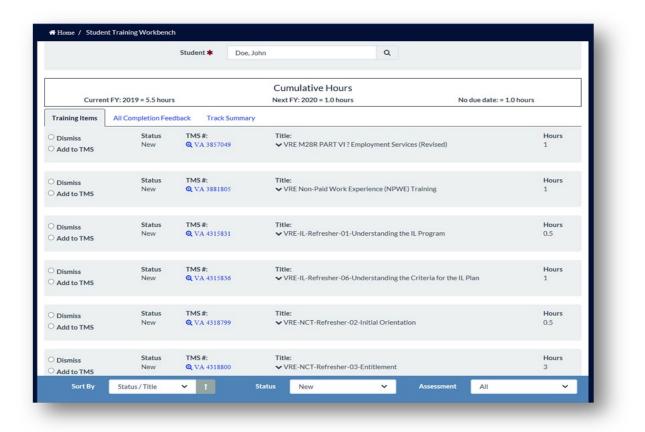








# 3.1.14 Student Training Workbench (For Coach)



# 3.2 RVSR Badging Program

The CS RVSR Badging Program uses digital credentials, also known as badges, as a visual representation of an employee's achievements and skills. Badges are tangible proof of an employee's career development and proficiency level.

CS has incorporated a badge program into the RVSR CBTS. RSVRS will have a clearly defined career path, empowering them to take a leading role in their own development. The RVSR Badging Program encourages collaboration between employees and Coaches by adding clarity to the employee's development process. The current release of CBTS will have two badges that may be earned over the FY. Additional badges will become available as special missions and additional competencies are added.

To earn the badge for the FY, the employee must have supervisor endorsement, a score of 80% or higher for each remediation assessment that has been assigned, a score of 80% or higher on the CBTS diagnostic assessment, a fully successful rating overall, a fully successful rating for quality and production. The badge is awarded annually.

# 3.2.1 Refresher/Remediation Training Recommendations

Remediation training is assigned based on the employee's competency as determined by the assessment and







will vary according to their job needs.

If the employee's feedback report contains refresher training recommendations, those items will be automatically sentto the assessment portal. The TM, Coach, and employee will consult to identify, prioritize, and assign the refresher training in the Student Workbench. The selected refresher items will then be automatically added to their TMS "MyLearning" list. Remediation training must be completed within 30 days of being assigned. If employees require assistance locating training items or have questions about their feedback report, they may consult with the coach and/or the TM.

If the employee's feedback report does not identify any refresher training, the employee will consult with their Coach to create a plan for completing any professional development or other training items identified on their annual Individual Development Plan (IDP).

Remediation training is provided as the result of the CBTS diagnostic assessment, leadership recommendations, quality control review, IQR data, and national trends.

Coaches and supervisors may reassign courses where employees have not achieved a score of at least 80% on the assessment for the module. However, the employee may take the assessment after a one week waiting period withoutsupervisor approval. The additional score is recorded and reported. Additional training time for the assessment is not provided. Additionally, additional training time for the remediation training is not provided. The employee may also retake the assessment and module, without supervisor assignment by accessing the module/assessment through their history in TMS.

The employee may have until the end of the FY to complete optional training that has been assigned by the employee's supervisor.

# 3.2.2 Mandated Training Requirements

In addition to refresher training, the employee may be required to complete other training as mandated by VA, VBA, and/or CS (i.e. VBA Privacy and Security training).

There is no identified need for exempting employees from the CBTS assessment. Employees who have extenuating circumstances, such as extended leave (ect.) and are unable to complete the CBTS for the FY, must take their diagnostic assessment upon their return. In certain, rare circumstances, there may be a need for the employee to miss the diagnostic assessment for the FY. In such cases the employee is required to take the newest version of the diagnostic assessment upon their return

# 3.2.3 Deadline for Completion

The deadline to complete the VBA RVSR Assessment(s) is 30 days following the CBTS diagnostic assessment or module assessment.









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# 3.2.4 Assessment Credit

The total amount of TMS credit that the RVSR will receive for completing the CBTS assessment 2.5 hours for the initial CBTS diagnostic assessment (this does not equal the approximate 45 minutes that it should take the employee to complete the diagnostic assessment). **The assessment can be done over one month as it saves progress**. Additional remediation assessment credits are awarded based on industry best standards and outlined for the microlesson, module and/or evaluation. Multiple attempts are not authorized for the CBTS assessment. However multiple attempts, without additional excluded time is permitted for remedial assessments following the completion of the microlearning or module being completed.

# 3.3 Scoring

The RVSR Diagnostic Assessment is not a pass/fail assessment. The number of questions answered correctly determines the RVSR's proficiency sore. Refresher training is recommended when an RVSR performs below the "Advanced" range on a specific KSA. The assessment automatically identified the refresher training topics and sends the RVSR's proficiency scores to the assessment portal within 24 hours of completing the assessment. The TM, coach, and RVSR will then consult to select the refresher training topics to be assigned to the RVSR's TMS "My Learning" list. Refresher training items will be automatically assigned in TMS within 24 hours of the consultation.

Employees must score a minimum of 80% withing 3 attempts or the supervisor must mitigate the score for employees to earn the annual badge. Additional attempts are **not** permitted for the CBTS diagnostic assessment. However, multiple attempts are permitted for the microlearning, assigned remedial assessments and quality assessments.

Excluded time will only be permitted for one attempt.





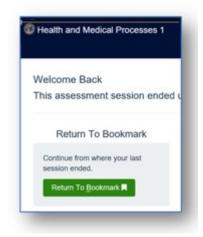


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# 3.3.1 Diagnostic Assessment Bookmarking

It is estimated that each diagnostic assessment should take approximately 45 minutes to complete. If the employee needs to stop during an assessment, the employee will need to exit out of the assessment and the last location will be bookmarked. When the employee returns, the last location will be loaded, and the employee will resume where they left off. The employee must be sure to properly exit the assessment by clicking the upper right corner "Exit" button.

Micro assessments or quality control assessments are assigned to modules or microlearning and excluded time is established according to industry best practices.











## 3.3.2 Assessment Locations

The employee can take the assessment from their workstation or any convenient location with a VA network connection. The assessment is not accessible outside of the VA network. Be sure the employee has access to job aids and references.

## 3.3.3 Special Accommodations

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), special accommodations are available when required. The employee should discuss individual requirements with their Coach or TM to determine appropriate accommodations.

# 3.3.4 References and Job Aids

he RVSR can access work-required references and job aids during the assessment. RVSRs should make sure that these relevant references and job aids are available on the desktop or via the Intranet prior to beginning the assessment. The instructions below provide information on how the RVSR can personalize their desktop by identifying frequently-used resources. The RVSR is not limited to the information in the module and should consult all references or resources available for both the module assessment and the CBTS diagnostic assessment.

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| • Minimizo all programs                               | • Minimizo all programs                                  |
| Minimize all programs                                 | Minimize all programs                                    |
| • From the PC desktop,                                | • From the PC desktop,                                   |
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| <ul> <li>Double click VBAPPS</li> </ul>               | 28%20Main.aspx?viewpath=%2Fsites%2FVBAVRWKM%2FM28%2      |
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- Right click on the program that needs a shortcut
- Select Copy
- Right click on an empty space on the desktop
- Select Paste

- Select Next
- Give the icon a name, such as M28R Manual Page
- Select Finish
- Repeat the process to add any additional reference pages you plan to use, such as: <u>http://vretraining.vba.va.gov/</u>.

# 3.4 Technical Difficulties

#### 3.4.1 Active Files

When completing the assessment, remember to close any files that are not actively in use to avoid referencing an incorrect document.

## 3.4.2 Requesting Help

If a computer/internet malfunction occurs during the assessment, you should notify your Coach or the designated person within the RO.

## 3.4.3 Computer Problems

If your computer unexpectedly shuts down or you experience any other computer-related problem, the system will save your place in the assessment and you can return after restarting your computer.

## 3.5 **Resources and References**

During the CBTS assessment or the remediation module assessments the RVSR can/should use any reference materials available.

## 3.6 Assessment Updates

CS will use feedback from you and the results of periodic analyses to make updates to the assessment. You may provide real-time feedback on every page of the assessment via the **Comment** button in the top dark blue-ribbon menu.







# 4 RVSR Badge Program

CS RVSR Badging Program uses digital credentials, also known as badges, as a visual representation of an employee's achievements and skills. Badges are tangible proof of an employee's development and proficiency level.

By incorporating a badge program into the CBTS, RVSRs will have a clearly defined career path (including leadership), empowering them to take a leading role in their own development. Career roadmaps encourage collaboration between employees and their Coach by adding clarity to the individual development process (e.g., I want to earn my...badge this year). Goals are easy to articulate and track.

#### Benefits of using badges include:

- Workload management efficiency: Badges depicted in TMS allow Coaches to be aware of which employees are prepared to receive specific assignments.
- Certification: Badges allow the organization to develop and certify employees utilizing well-defined, objective criteria that are more defensible and less intimidating than a one-size-fits-all certification test.
- Planning: The organization is always aware of the developmental progress of each employee, making succession planning, promotions, transfers, etc., much easier to forecast.
- Employee development: Badges and career roadmaps make the employee development process simple.
- Facilitate a sustain-and-build culture: Some badges will have expiration dates and will need recertification. This process ensures that employees will revisit topics, periodically to minimize skill degradation and stay updated on policy changes.

#### **Qualifications for Earning a Badge**

#### **1** Core Badge Requirements:

To earn each core badge, RVSRs are required to:

- Show completion of training that has been identified as remedial, supervisor, training manger or nationally directed for fiscal year (FY)whether mandated training at the station or national level
- Requirements identified in the "Additional Requirements"

#### 2 Completion Tracking:

Each RVSRs progress and completion will be tracked in:

- Badge Database
- TMS
- Prime

#### **3** Certification/Recertification:

- As assigned
- Annually
- Upon return from Performance Improvement Plan (PIP)









- Assessment scores of <80% will require the RVSR to complete all associated training identified by the CBTS assessment
- Assessment scores of <80% on remediation modules will require supervisor to add course into TMS.
- Items correlating to missed questions on the assessment will produce a "suggested" training regimen

| Core Badges    | Assessment          | Additional Requirements  |
|----------------|---------------------|--|
| RVSR Challenge | Post Challenge Exam | <ul> <li>Challenge curricula</li> <li>Minimum 0–6 months in the position</li> <li>Ability to rate a case without error for 3 consecutive months.</li> <li>Recertification is not required</li> </ul> |







| Core Badges   | Assessment  | Additional Requirements   |
|---|---|---|
| Health and Medical Processes         Image: Constraint of the second se | Initial RVSR CBTS assessment<br>with a minimum score of at<br>least 80% | <ul> <li>RVSR Challenge Badge</li> <li>Minimum 6 months in a rating<br/>responsible position during reporting<br/>period for which the badge is<br/>awarded</li> <li>Requires the completion of all Health<br/>and Medical Processes assessments<br/>and necessary remediation or,<br/>coach/TM exemption/mitigation or<br/>completion of remedial training with<br/>80% or above score on final<br/>remediation module assessment.<br/>Multiple attempts are permitted with<br/>supervisor assignment of assessment<br/>in TMS. Write off time is not<br/>permitted for additional attempts.</li> <li>Demonstrate ability to rate claims,<br/>regardless of the number of<br/>contentions, with a quality rating<br/>required at the fully successful level<br/>for at least 6 months (mid-<br/>year/annual assessment)</li> <li>Requires Coach/TM submission for<br/>approval</li> <li>Badge is awarded annually and can<br/>be revoked by supervisor for failure<br/>to meet performance expectations<br/>for said competency.</li> <li>The awarding of the badge should<br/>have no bearing on the performance<br/>beyond that or less than that of fully<br/>successful evaluation of the claim's<br/>processor.</li> <li>Badges are awarded annually upon<br/>satisfaction of the above<br/>requirements and supervisory<br/>endorsement.</li> <li>Recertification: One year</li> </ul> |









| Compensation Claims | Initial RVSR CBTS assessment | • Earn the RVSR Challenge Badge                          |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Processing          | with a minimum score of at   | <ul> <li>Demonstrate ability to rate a claim,</li> </ul> |
|                     | least 80%                    | regardless of the number of                              |
| ABANS AFF           |                              | contentions, with a quality rating                       |
| States to           |                              | required at the full successful level                    |
| COMPENSATION        |                              | for 6 months.  |
| <b>CLAIMS</b>       |                              |  |
| RVSR                |                              | Requires the completion of all                           |
|                     |                              | Compensation Claims Processing                           |
|                     |                              | assessments and necessary                                |
|                     |                              | remediation or, coach/TM                                 |
|                     |                              | exemption/mitigation or completion                       |
|                     |                              | of remedial training with 80% or                         |
|                     |                              | above score on final remediation                         |
|                     |                              | module assessment. Multiple                              |
|                     |                              | attempts are permitted with                              |
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|                     |                              | regardless of the number of                              |
|                     |                              | contentions, with a quality rating                       |
|                     |                              | required at the fully successful level                   |
|                     |                              | for at least 6 months (mid-                              |
|                     |                              | year/annual assessment)                                  |
|                     |                              | Requires Coach/TM submission for                         |
|                     |                              | approval   |
|                     |                              | <ul> <li>Badge is awarded annually and can</li> </ul>    |
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|                     |                              | Badges are awarded annually upon                         |
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|                     |                              | endorsement  |
|                     |                              | Recertification: One year                                |









# **5** Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

## 5.1 The Assessment

#### How many questions are on the assessment and how much time do I have to complete it?

Each assessment consists 25-30 questions. It is estimated an employee should take no longer than 2.5 hours (180 minutes) to complete the initial CBTS assessment. All assessments or modules must be completed no later than 30 days from assignment.

#### What types of questions are on the assessment?

The assessment contains only multiple-choice questions.

#### What resources/references can the employee use during the assessment?

You can use any reference materials that they think will be helpful.

#### What does the assessment look like?

In addition to displaying the assessment question, the screen contains the following information:

- Instructions for answering the question.
- Submit to record the answer and move on to the next question.

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#### Where can I find additional information about the assessment?

Additional information about the KSAs contained in each assessment is in Appendix A.

#### Can I skip assessment questions and return to them later?

No. When taking the assessment, you must select an answer and click **Submit** before the system will display the next question. **Do not** use the **Back** or **Reload** buttons during the assessment. Doing so may result in loss of responses.









#### Can I leave the assessment open on my desktop while performing other tasks?

Yes. However, it is best to properly exit. When you are required to perform another task, select **Exit** in the upper right corner. The system will bookmark your location in the assessment, and you can return to the assessment/question at any time within the assigned 30-day window.

#### What if something happens and I get bumped out of the assessment before I finish?

The system will bookmark the assessment and the employee can return to the same assessment and location at any time within the assessment administration window.

#### How often are the assessment questions updated?

CS uses employee feedback and their results for a periodic analysis to review and update the assessment as needed.

#### Does everyone get the same assessment questions?

No. The assessment utilizes the competencies and related KSAs required for the job. Some competencies have more KSAs, and therefore there are more questions in the assessment pool. Each time you log in to complete the assessment, some of the questions will be different.

#### Can I ask someone else for help for the diagnostic assessment?

No. You can use all other resources except for another person for assistance for any assessment associated with CBTS. Using any other person for assistance would be considered an issue of integrity and may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

#### What if I am on leave and can not complete the assessment on time?

There is no identified need for exempting employees from the CBTS assessment. Employees who have extenuating circumstances, such as extended leave (ect.) and are unable to complete the CBTS for the FY, must take their diagnostic assessment upon their return. In certain, rare circumstances, there may be a need for the employee to miss the diagnostic assessment for the FY. In such cases the employee is required to take the newest version of the diagnostic assessment upon their return.

Because of the rolling nature of the diagnostic assessment this would be a very rare occurrence, however the CBTS diagnostic stays on the employee's TMS requirements until taken. Monthly compliance reports will provide a list of those in non-compliance. The report is generated monthly and distributed through the training manager sharepoint as well as through OFO to Districts.

#### Can I take the assessment for practice? No

#### What happens when you select "Go to Scored Assessment?"

Selecting this option begins the scored assessment for TMS credit. Once all your assessments are completed, refresher training is identified and sent to the assessment portal. The TM and Coach will review and assign. Then the refresher training will appear on your TMS "My Learning" list.

#### How many times can I take the diagnostic assessment for credit each fiscal year?

You can take the specific assigned assessment once each fiscal year. You can take the module or microlearning assessments as many times as you wish, however additional training credit is not provided beyond the first attempt.









#### What happens when an employee becomes an experienced RVSR after the CBTS administration time? The employee will be required to take the assessment within 30 days of becoming an experienced VSR. How much credit will I receive for completing the assessment?

The total amount of credit for completing the assessment and evaluation is 2.5 hours per combined competency CBTS diagnostic assessment. Module assessments are part of the established training time for the courses.

## How will I get credit for completing the RVSR Diagnostic Assessment?

On the Welcome screen, select the **check box** next to "Go to Scored Assessment." Once you complete all of your assessments for credit and the Feedback Survey in TMS, TMS will then record your completion. **NOTE: It may take up to 24 hours for the information to record in TMS.** 

#### Do I have the entire fiscal year to complete the assessment?

No, the assessment helps to identify your job-related strengths and weaknesses, so it may recommend refresher training. A report is generated and provided to OFO, regional offices and districts for any outstanding remediation modules or non-compliant diagnostic assessments.

#### After I take the assessment for credit, will I ever have to take it again?

Yes. Within 30 days of the new FY, the RVSR will receive notification that the assessment is on their "My Learning" list and the due date of the item.

## 5.2 Scoring and Results

#### How is the CBTS assessment scored?

Calculation of your proficiency range derives from the number of questions answered correctly. The proficiency levels were determined through collaboration with third-party test creation experts and SME's from the field.

#### What if I do not pass the CBTS assessment?

This is not a pass/fail assessment. This assessment identifies areas of your competence and where additional training is required. If you require refresher training as identified on the Individual Feedback Report, you, your coach, and the TM will identify and approve the refresher training topics associated with the badge assignment. The refresher training topics will then appear on your TMS "My Learning" list within 24 hours of the selection of the refresher training.

#### Will I see my proficiency range/level immediately after I finish the assessment?

Yes. When you select **Submit** on the last assessment question, the system will display the "Assessment Results" screen.

## What does an Individual Feedback Report look like?

A sample of an individual feedback report is below.

#### What does the Overall Feedback Report look like?

This report presents performance on the assessments and provides refresher training. The display includes the most recently completed assessments, proficiency range and refresher training. A sample of the overall feedback report follows.









|                        | Overall Feedback Report                            |                  |              |
|------------------------|--|------------------|--------------|
|                        | Student: Doe, Jane                                 |                  |              |
| Assessment             |  | Completed        | Proficiency  |
| Claims Processing 1    |  | 07/29/2021 09:38 | Intermediate |
| Health and Medical Pro | cesses I   | 07/29/2021 13:39 | Entry        |
| TMS#                   | Required Training Title                            |                  | Hours        |
|                        |  |                  |              |
| VA 4175786             | (VSR Challenge) Due Process                        |                  | 2.50         |
| VA 4178966             | Mentel Disorders                                   |                  | 2.50         |
| VA 4178976             | The Musculoskeletal System (Upper Body)            |                  | 6.00         |
| VA 4193687             | Amputation Rule Pyramiding and Muscle Injury       |                  | 4.50         |
| VA 4411240             | Musculoskeletal System - Lower Extremities (Prime) |                  | 2.00         |
| VA 4500004             | Rating Reductions                                  |                  | 1.75         |
| VA 4500984             |  |                  |              |

## How do I access my assessment results if I forgot to print them before I completed the assessment?

You may access the completed assessment results through TMS. Go to your "My Learning" page, navigate to the "My History" pod on the page and click on "View All." If the assessment appears within this pod before clicking "View All," you will not be able to access the results. Once in your Completed Work history list, locate the assessment: RVSR Competency Based Training System (CBTS) Diagnostic Assessment. Hover your mouse over the title and wait for a menu to appear. Then click on "Review Content." Next, click on "Launch RVSR CBTS Diagnostic Assessment" which will take you to the assessment portal.

You may view and save the Overall Feedback Report, as well as the Individual Feedback Reports by selecting the "Feedback" button from within the assessment portal. A new window appears with the results.

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#### Overall Feedback Report **RVSR** Diagnostic Assessment Portal 2021 Contains a summary of proficiency ranges with suggested changes. Welcome 🕄 **Combined Feedback for** Compensation Service and the Office of Talent Management (OTM) Claims Processing 1 all completed developed a series of diagnostic assessments designed to help Rating Veteran Service Representatives (RVSRs) determine their proficiency assessments. Report with respect to job-related competencies. Its purpose is to help each Details ···· opens in new window. employee determine their individual training needs (recommends tailored training), eliminating redundant instruction and providing additional time Welcome to the Claims Processing 1 Diagnostic for serving Veterans and professional development. Assessment This assessment evaluates your technical RVSR Diagnostic Assessment - Click Here 🤿 proficiency with respect to the Claims Processing competency. Upon completion of this assessment. Refresher training is prescribed based on your performance on the you will receive feedback that will provide you with a assessment and will vary according to your job-related needs. If your proficiency score, as well as recommended training feedback report contains recommended training, the training items will and references be added to your TMS "My Learning" list after meeting with your supervisor and training manager (TM). If you require assistance locating training items or have questions about your feedback report, please consult your TM or supervisor. If your feedback report does not identify Health and Medical Processes 1 any refresher training, consider consulting with your supervisor or manager to create a plan for completing any professional development, or other training items, identified on your annual Individual Development Plan (IDP). Details ···· Welcome to the Health and Medical Processes 1 Diagnostic Assessment You have completed all of the requirements for RVSR Diagnostic Assessment Portal 2021. If you need technical support, contact: This assessment evaluates your technical Support@vbatraining.org proficiency with respect to the Health and Medical Processes competency. Upon completion of this assessment, you will receive feedback that will provide you with a proficiency score, as well as VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATIO recommended training and references

#### How does the TM and my Coach access my results?

The TMs and Coaches will always have access to the completed assessments and results through the CBTS Assessment Portal. All TMs and Coaches have been given access to the CBTS assessment portal. Contact your Coach and/or TM if you need a missing feedback report.

# 5.3 Refresher Training

#### How much training will I have to take each year?

Refresher training is prescribed based on performance on the assessment and will vary based on the needs of each RVSR, national quality control, IQR data, quality control data, leadership direction and national analysis. The RVSR will still be required to complete other centrally assigned training or specialty training.

#### Will the recommended refresher training replace the yearly NTC?









Yes, however you will still be required to complete centrally assigned training as the need arises based on quality, trending pattern, supervisor or leadership request.

#### How long do I have to complete the recommended refresher training?

You will have 30 days from the point of the assigned task. The task should be assigned within thirty days of the deficiency being noted on the Diagnostic assessment.

#### What if the RVSR cannot complete the recommended refresher training before the end of the fiscal year?

Sometimes, situations arise that will prevent the RVSR from completing the refresher training on their TMS "My Learning" list. Employees who do not finish their remediation training prior to the end of the year will not be eligible for a competency badge.

Also, if an RVSR is on leave and is not able to complete the CBTS assessment within the 30-day administration period, the RVSR will work with the TM and supervisor to identify, prioritize and prorate the training that is associated with the RVSR Badge Program schedule. OFO and TMs must also notify CS with the name(s) of the Experienced RVSR(s) by the fourth quarter of the current fiscal year but before the next new fiscal year. The Experienced RVSR(s) will then be scheduled to take the CBTS assessment within the first quarter of the following FY.





# 6 Appendices

## A RVSR Technical Competencies

| -  | Technical Competency                 | Description/Definition |
|----|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. | Claims Processing for<br>RVSRs       | Phase I FY 22          |
| 2. | Health and Medical<br>Processes      | Phase 1 FY 22          |
| 3. | VBA Applications                     | Phase 2 FY 23          |
| 4. | Veterans Benefits and<br>Eligibility | Phase 2 FY 23          |

# **B** Sample Questions

The questions below are examples of the type and format used in the assessment:

- 1. What is the most appropriate next step to take when overhearing a RVSR discuss protected personal information about a Veterans claim in a public setting?
  - A. Immediately remind the RVSR that they should not discuss cases in public.
  - B. Inform the Veteran of the situation and steps to request a new VRC.
  - C. Join in on the conversation to network and staff the case.
  - D. Provide a copy of the M21-1 to the RVSR.
- 2. When processing a first-time rating decision granting a combined evaluation of 30% or higher, what additional information should be included in the notification letter?
  - A. Veteran Readiness and Employment Benefits
  - B. Medical Care
  - C. Dependency Benefits
  - D. Power of Attorney Assistance
- 3. Which VA system records a Dependent as a family member of a Veteran?
  - A. Share
  - B. Awards
  - C. MAP-D
  - D. PCGL
- 4. Award adjustments of compensation benefits paid to Veterans who are in receipt of military retired pay are automatically transmitted to Defense Finance Accounting Service (DFAS). When is VA required to provide written notification to DFAS of the dates and amounts of any compensation adjustments for Veterans receiving military retired pay?
  - A. When the adjustment covers one prior period
  - B. When the adjustment covers two prior periods
  - C. When the adjustment covers more than three prior periods
  - D. Anytime you adjust compensation benefits









- 5. To be eligible for Veteran Readiness and Employment (CS) services, a Veteran must have a VA-established serviceconnected disability of at least:
  - A. 0% with a serious handicap, or 10% with an employment handicap
  - B. 10% with a serious handicap, or 20% with an employment handicap.
  - C. 20% with a serious handicap, or 20% with an employment handicap.
  - D. 30% with a serious handicap, or 20% with an employment handicap.







## C CS RVSR Assessment Report Portal Job Aid

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| # | Step   | Window   |
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| 1 | Navigate your browser to the LIVE Assessment<br>Portal:<br><u>https://vba-tpss.vbatraining.org/assess</u> .                            | VETERANS BENEFIT'S ADMINIST KATION<br>EXPLOYED DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING         Image: Control of the state |
| 2 | Enter your login credentials into the <b>User</b><br><b>name</b> and <b>Password</b> fields. Then, select the<br><b>Log in</b> button. | VETERANS ENERTISADMINISTRATION<br>ENCLOYED DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING         Image: Contract of the second sec |

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| # | Step   | Window   |
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| 1 | Click <b>Diagnostic Results</b> on the Student Training<br>Workbench box.<br>Note: You can also select <b>Student Training</b><br><b>Workbench</b> from the Menu drop down button<br>at the top right side of the window.  | Hence / Report Categories         Test Results         Reports that analyze the results of a specific test using your authorization rights         Test Results         Test Results         Class Results         Instructor reports for the class results         Class Results         Distructor reports for the class results         Class Results         Dispositic Results         Dispositic Results |
| 2 | The Student Training Workbench RVSR list grid<br>depicts all RVSRs in your location who<br>completed at least one of the Year 1 badge<br>assessments. The grid enables you to access<br>RVSR assessment results and provides some<br>additional grid features explained below.<br>Click <b>Select</b> next to the RVSR's name to access a<br>training workbench for that RVSR. | TMS Required Actions       Customize       I for thim       Companion Report       I do Aud            • Max Hange         • First Hame         • First Hame         • Addoss         • O avoid         value         • V         • V         • V  |







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|        |           |         |           |         | <b>T 1</b>      |                |         |
| Select | Last Name | ▲ First | st Name 🔺 | Actions | <u>To Award</u> | Waiting on TMS | Awarded |
|        |           | 9       | 9         | 9       | 9               |                | 9       |
|        |           |         |           |         |                 |                |         |
|        |           |         |           |         |                 |                |         |
|        |           |         | Yr Cycle  |         | Dismissed       |                |         |

**Column headings** can be rearranged by clicking a heading and dragging it to the desired location while the mouse button is held down, then dropping the column in place by releasing the mouse button. The columns can be sorted by clicking on any column heading. In addition to student name and location, the following status columns provide meaningful information to the supervisor:

- Actions The count of TMS items that need to be either assigned to TMS or dismissed. The process to award a badge cannot be started until all items are processed.
- **To Award** Number of badges that can be awarded. Includes all badges for the 1-year cycle.
- Waiting on TMS Number of TMS items that still need to be completed for the current cycle badges.
- Awarded Number of badges awarded for the whole 1-year cycle.
- **Declined** Number of badges declined for the whole 1-year cycle.
- **Required Hours** Sum of the required items provided in the feedback reports for this cycle.
- Assigned Hours Sum of the required items assigned for this cycle.
- Yr Cycle badge cycle the user is currently in.
- **Dismissed** Number of TMS items that were dismissed. This column is accessed using customize columns.
- **Dismissed Hrs** Number of hours that were dismissed. This column is accessed using customize columns.

The **column filter textboxes** below the column headings enable you to search for RVSRs in a variety of ways. Enter a complete or partial string in the textbox beneath the column heading and press the Enter key to filter the list. Selecting the Key icon next to a textbox allows you to apply filter operations to the string you entered, i.e. Begins with, Contains, doesn't contain, Ends with, Equals, or Doesn't equal.

Note: You must press the Enter key after making changes to the search criteria to see filter results.







## **STUDENT WORKBENCH GRID FEATURES (Continued)**

The **button bar** above the column headings offers additional ways to use the grid:

### TMS Required Actions -

The **View menu** allows the user to save a preferred grid configuration. Some view configurations are preset for you.

- TMS Required Actions Shows the count of TMS items that need to be assigned or dismissed.
- Badges Awarded Shows the count of badges that have been awarded.
- Badges Declined Shows the count of badges that have been declined.
- Badges Ready for Review Shows the count of badges that are ready to be awarded or declined.
- Waiting for TMS Completions Shows the count of TMS items that have been assigned and not yet completed by the RVSR.
- Save View Save the column order, column sort, and applied filters.
- Save View As Update an existing view.
- **Delete View** Delete a saved view.

### <u>C</u>ustomize <del>-</del>

The **Customize menu** allows the user to configure columns, groups and export the list.

- Column Filter Toggles the appearance of filter textboxes.
- **Columns** Allows the user to add or remove columns from the view. The column headings can be dragged to and from the Customize list of column headings. Place mouse button in the blank space

next to the column heading to add. Drag the column to align with the other Column headings and drop the column by releasing the mouse button. **Note**: Before releasing the column heading, be sure the double arrows appear above and below the column heading.



 Grouping – Toggles a grouping area that enables the user to group the list by any column heading, i.e. job title or location. Place mouse button in the blank space of the column heading to use for grouping. Drag the column to the grouping area located above the column headings and drop the

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column by releasing the mouse button. To remove the grouping, drag the column to align with the other Column headings and drop the column by releasing the mouse button. **Note**: Before releasing the column heading, be sure the double arrows appear above and below the column heading.





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## STUDENT WORKBENCH GRID FEATURES (Continued)

• **Export** – Opens a dialog box to export the grid list in several formats. XLS and XLSX are Microsoft Office Excel file formats, CS V or Comma-Separated Values produces a text file of data.

The **Refresh button** updates the grid list. This may be needed if you are viewing multiple instances of the grid and external changes are being made in the workbench.

• Job Aid Click this button to download the current version of this job aid.

#### 🖨 Group Reports

Group Reports opens a dialog box to quickly access summary reports. Summary reports provide managers with a view of student results across all CS CBTS Assessments and badge progress details. The diagnostic assessment reports are grouped by each fiscal year tracks.

| employee for the | ss Details<br>es of all training items and badges that are assigned to ear<br>urrent period. The original hours that were suggested for<br>ared to the actual assigned hours for the current period. |
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| Diagnostic as    | sessments with reports   |
| Assessment       | VRC Diagnostic Assessment  |
| Report           | Student Assessment Matrix V Go   |
| Report           | Student Assessment Matrix V Go   |

See **How to Generate Assessment Results (Alternate Method from the Student Training Workbench)** for a description of these reports.



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| # | Step  | Window   |
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| 3 | After pressing <b>Select</b> next to an RVSR's name in<br>the RVSR list, the workbench for that RVSR is<br>displayed with a list of required or suggested<br>training items. This list is constructed based<br>upon assessment results. For each training<br>item, the list includes actions to take, the status<br>of each list item, when and if the training has<br>been completed, the TMS ID number, the<br>training title, and number of hours associated<br>with each training item. | Image: Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Title:       VRE Reduced Require All       Hours         O Ismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VRE Reduced Require All       Hours         O Ismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VRE REARCH Require All       Hours         O Ismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VRE M28R PART VI Employment       1         O Ismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VRE M28R PART VI Employment       1         O Ismiss       New       Completed On       TMS #:       VRE Retroactive Reimbursement for       1         O Ismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VRE Retroactive Reimbursement for       1         O Ismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VRE Retroactive Reimbursement for       1         O Ismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VRE Retroactive Reimbursement for       0.5         O Add to TMS       New       Add to TMS       New       VRE Retroactive Reimbursement for       0.5 |
|   | Two actions are available for each training<br>item:<br><b>Dismiss</b> – Allows the supervisor to dismiss the<br>training item from the current view.<br><b>Add to TMS</b> – Submits the training item to the<br>RVSR's TMS Learning Plan.  | By   |









| # |                                      | Step  |                          |                            |                         | Window                               |  |
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| 4 | Navigatio                            | n   | 🖨 Ho                     | me / Stude                 | nt Training Workb       | ench / Tibbott, D                    | iane   |
|   |                                      | ome - Returns to the Assessment<br>eporting home page.  | <b>↑</b> U               | p Le <u>v</u> el 🛛 🖸       | ob Aid Ø Dismis         |                                      | t, Diane - (Yr Cycle 1: 2019)  |
|   | Tr                                   | readcrumbs – Returns to the Student<br>raining Workbench Employee list to<br>elect another RVSR.  |                          | ired Hours:<br>ned Require | 28.00<br>ed Hours: 0.00 |                                      | 16 Items require an action.  |
|   | Tr                                   | <b>p Level</b> – Returns to the Student<br>raining Workbench employee list to<br>elect another Employee   |                          |                            |                         |                                      |  |
|   |                                      | <b>bb Aid</b> – Downloads the current<br>ersion of this job aid.  |                          |                            |                         |                                      |  |
|   | ite<br>bu<br><b>to</b>               | ismiss All – Dismisses all training<br>ems from the current view. The<br>utton is described more fully in <b>How</b><br><b>Process Diagnostic Assessment</b><br>esults. |                          |                            |                         |                                      |  |
|   | home pag<br>is also ava<br>button at | rigation to the Assessment Reporting<br>e or the Student Training Workbench<br>ilable from the Menu drop down<br>the top right side of the window.                      |                          |                            |                         |                                      |  |
|   |                                      |   |                          |                            |                         |                                      |  |
| 5 |                                      | e TMS training item description by the <b>TMS number link</b> .   | O Dismiss<br>O Add to Th | Status<br>New<br>45        | Completed On            | TMS#:<br>Q, VA 3890234 ♥ \           | e: Hours<br>/RE Flocal Accuracy: Award Processing 1  |
|   |                                      |   | O Dismiss<br>O Add to TM | Status<br>New              | Completed On            | TMS Details                          | × VA 5991734   |
|   |                                      |   | ○ Dismiss<br>○ Add to TP | Status<br>New              | Completed On            | Title:<br>Hears:<br>Description:     | VRE Fiscal Accuracy: Award Processing<br>1<br>Participants will learn how to correctly process<br>substance allowance awards such as for overlapping<br>tomics continuitor to aliving PP311 substance rater ators<br>of pay no pay dates and dependent jay.<br>CONTINUICUS CONTINE ACCES |
|   |                                      |   | Sort By                  | Stati 🗸 🕴                  | Status New              | Delivery Method:<br>Target Audience: | Web Bood Training<br>AIT/REE Suff  |
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| # | Step   | Window   |
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| 6 | View the diagnostic assessments associated<br>with each training item by clicking the drop-<br>down arrow next to the title.   | Obseries         Status         Completed On         TMS #:<br>Q, VA 3833042         Title:<br>V RE M258 Part I, Overview Revised         Hours           Obseries         Status         Completed On         TMS #:<br>Q, VA 3833042         VRE M258 Part I, Overview Revised         1           Obseries         Status         Completed On         TMS #:<br>Q, VA 3833042         Title:<br>VRE M258 Part I, Overview Revised         Hours           Add to TMS         New         Overview Revised         1  |
|   | <b>Note</b> : Some training items may be associated with several diagnostic assessments. The <b>Type</b> of association indicates if the TMS item is <u>required</u> or <u>optional</u> based upon the assessment results.   | Assessments that suggested this training ben.       Status     Type     Badge       New     Required     Disability Ansreament and Assessment Badge     Disability Ansreament 2/5/2019 8:22:57 AM       New     Required     Essential Evaluation Resources badge     Disability Ansreament 2/5/2019 8:22:57 AM       New     Required     Essential Evaluation Resources badge     Disability Ansreament 2/5/2019 8:22:57 AM       Sort By     Status     New     Assessment Assessment Addition Resources badge  |
|   | Clicking on the <b>assessment link</b> will allow you to view the individual feedback report.  |  |
| 7 | You can sort the list of training items using the <b>Sort By</b> drop-down list at the bottom of the page.   | Its/Lead         Ø Jon Aut         Ø Diamins All           O Diamins         Status         Completed On         TMS #:         Title:         Hours         0.75           Add to TMS         New         Q, YA 431540         • VRE-IL-Refresher 09-Concluding IL Case         0.75           Intersis         Status         Completed On         TMS #:         Title:         Hours           O Diamiss         Status         Completed On         TMS #:         Title:         Hours           O Diamiss         Status         Completed On         TMS #:         Title:         Hours           V No         Q, YA 31542         v VRE-IL-Refresher (11-Use of the Home         1 |
|   | Sort by options include:<br>Status and Title – Sorts by status plus title. See<br>Step 8 for description of status options.  | ○ Add to TMS     New     Q: VA.431542     ∨ VRELL.Refresher.11.Use of the Home Inprovement and Shuckural Alterations Grant       ○ Dismiss     Status     Completed On     TMS #:     Title:     Hours       ○ Dismiss     Status     Completed On     TMS #:     Title:     Hours       ○ Dismiss     Status     Completed On     TMS #:     Title:     Hours       ○ Dismiss     Status     Completed On     TMS #:     Title:     Hours       ○ Dismiss     Status     Completed On     TMS #:     Title:     Hours       ○ Add to TMS     New     Q: VA 4318100     V VRE-NCT-Refresher-03-Entitlement     3   |
|   | Status – Sorts by status type.<br>Title – Sorts by TMS title.<br>TMS # – Sorts by TMS item ID.   | Status         Completed On         TMS #:         Title:         Hours           Sort By         Status / Tiv         1         Status         New         Assessment         All         V         Badge         All         V   |
|   | <b>Hours</b> – Sorts by number of learning hours associated with each TMS item ID.   |  |
|   | The <b>directional arrow</b> changes the listing<br>between Ascending and Descending sorts. For<br>example, if you select Sort By Hours, items will<br>be sorted by lowest to highest number of hours<br>per training item. If you select the directional<br>arrow, the items will sort by highest to lowest<br>number of hours per training item. |  |



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|   | The <b>Status</b> filter box enables the user to filter the   | list of tra  | ining   | items by                                     | status o   | f each item.  |                              |
|---|---|--|---|--|--|---|------------------------------|
|   | Status options include:   | ◆ Up Legel ② Job Aid<br>○ Dismiss<br>○ Add to TMS  | Diamins All<br>Status<br>New                    | Completed On                                 | TMS#:<br>Q VA 4315840  | Title:<br>✔ VRE-IL-Refresher-09-Concluding IL Case  | Hours<br>0.75                |
|   | All – Displays all training items regardless of status.   | O Dismiss<br>O Add to TMS  | Status<br>New                                   | Completed On                                 | TMS #:<br>Q VA 4315842   | Management Title: ✓ VRE-IL-Refresher-11-Use of the Home Improvement and Structural Alterations Grant  | Hours<br>1                   |
|   | <b>New</b> – Displays new training items that have not been dismissed or added to TMS.  | O Dismiss<br>Add to TMS  | Status<br>New                                   | Completed On                                 | TMS #:<br>Q VA 4318798   | Title:<br>✓ VRE-NCT-Refresher-01-Pre-Evaluation Activities  | Hours<br>0.75                |
|   | Previously Added – TBD.   | O Dismiss  | Status<br>New                                   | Completed On                                 | TMS #:<br>Q VA 4318800   | Title:<br>✓ VRE-NCT-Refresher-03-Entitlement  | Hours<br>3                   |
|   | <b>Dismissed</b> – Displays training items that have  |  | Status  | Completed On                                 | TMS #:   | Title:  | Hours                        |
|   | been dismissed from the training items list and<br>allows the user to add the training item to the<br>RVSR's TMS learning plan.   | Sort By Statu  | /Ti∨ †  | Status New                                   | ✓ Assess   | ment All 🤍 Badge All  | ~                            |
|   | <b>Added</b> – Displays training items that have previou<br>the user to remove the training item from the RV  | •  |   |  |  | • •   |                              |
|   | <b>Removed</b> – Displays a list of training items that w learning plan.  | ere adde   | d and   | subsequ                                      | ently ren  | noved from the RVS  | SR's                         |
|   |   |  |   |  |  |   |                              |
| ) | The <b>Assessment</b> filter box enables the user to filter the list of training items based upon the   | ◆ Up Least ● Jos<br>○ Dismiss<br>○ Add to TMS  | ad Ø Demiss A<br>Status<br>New                  | Completed On                                 | TMS #:<br>Q. VA 4315840  | Trie:<br>V VRE-IL-Refresher-09-Concluding IL Case<br>Management   | Hours<br>0.75                |
| ) |   |  | Status  |  |  | VRE-IL-Refresher-09-Concluding IL Case  |                              |
| ) | filter the list of training items based upon the diagnostic assessment outcome.<br>The <b>Badge</b> filter box enables the user to filter   | <ul> <li>Add to TMS</li> <li>Dismiss</li> </ul>  | Status<br>New<br>Status                         | Completed On                                 | Q VA 4315840<br>TMS #:   | VRE-IL-Refresher-09-Cencluding IL Case     Management     Title:     VRE-IL-Refresher-11-Use of the Home  | 0.75                         |
| ) | filter the list of training items based upon the diagnostic assessment outcome.   | <ul> <li>Add to TMS</li> <li>Dismiss</li> <li>Add to TMS</li> <li>Dismiss</li> </ul>   | Status<br>New<br>Status<br>New                  | Completed On                                 | Q VA 4315840<br>TMS #:<br>Q VA 4315842<br>TMS #:                           | VRE:IL-Refresher-08-Concluding IL Case<br>Management  Title:     VRE:IL-Refresher-11-Use of the Home<br>Improvement and Structural Alterations Grant  Title:  | 0.75<br>Hours<br>1<br>Hours  |
| • | filter the list of training items based upon the<br>diagnostic assessment outcome.<br>The <b>Badge</b> filter box enables the user to filter<br>the list of training items based upon the type of | Add to TMS     Dismiss     Add to TMS     Olsmiss     Add to TMS     Dismiss     Add to TMS     Dismiss     Add to TMS     Dismiss     Add to TMS     Dismiss     Add to TMS | Status<br>New<br>Status<br>New<br>Status<br>New | Completed On<br>Completed On<br>Completed On | Q VA 4315840<br>TMS #:<br>Q VA 4315842<br>TMS #:<br>Q VA 4318798<br>TMS #: | VRE:IL-Refresher-09-Concluding IL Case<br>Management      VRE:IL-Refresher-11-Use of the Home<br>Improvement and Structural Alterations Grant      Trise:     VRE:NCT-Refresher-01-Pre-Evaluation Activities      Trise:     Trise: | 0.75<br>Hours<br>1<br>s 0.75 |

## C.2 How to Process Diagnostic Assessment Results

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| # | Step  | Window  |
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| 1 | <ul> <li>Workbench Status</li> <li>An RVSR cannot be awarded a badge until you have dispositioned each TMS item listed in the workbench. The RVSR's name includes the current year cycle for the current fiscal year.</li> <li>[##] Items require an action. This lets you know that you still have items that must be added or dismissed before the RVSR can become eligible for a badge. This number is reduced by Add to TMS and Dismiss actions described below.</li> <li>Waiting for [##] items to be completed in TMS.</li> <li>You are waiting for this many TMS items to be completed that were assigned for the current FY badges.</li> <li>A badge is ready for award. The RVSR has completed the requirements for one of more badges to be awarded.</li> </ul> | Tibbott, Diane - (Yr Cycle 1: 2019)<br>16 Items require an action.<br>Stotler, Kayla J - (Yr Cycle 1: 2019)<br>Waiting for 9 items to be completed in TMS.<br>Vessa, Robert M (Yr Cycle 1: 2019)<br>A badge is ready for award.   |
| 2 | From the RVSR's results page in the Student<br>Training Workbench, add training items to the<br>RVSR's TMS Learning Plan by selecting <b>Add to</b><br><b>TMS</b> . When this radio button is selected, the<br><b>Add Training Item</b> dialog box is displayed.<br><b>IMPORTANT</b> : When a training item needs to be<br>added to an RVSR's TMS 2.0 To Do list, it is<br>important to <u>use the Student Training</u><br>Workbench to perform this action.  | Image: Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Title:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Title:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Title:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Title:       Hours         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31       Hours         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31       Hours         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31       Hours         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31       1         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31       1         Otemiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       YVEE Index Period Provider 31       0.5         Sort By       Status /Tir v       1       Status       New       Assessment       Ad       Badge All       V |







| # | Step  | Window   |
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| 3 | In the <b>Add Training Item</b> dialog box, provide<br>the following answers for the TMS item:  | Add Training Item × This item will be added to the students learning plan.   |
|   | <ul> <li>Is this training required?</li> <li>Complete by this date (choose optional field if training is optional, aka suggested). Complete by this date can be customized by clicking either the calendar widget or typing it in the mm/dd/yyyy format or leaving it blank.</li> </ul> | TMS #: VA 3857046<br>Title: VRE M28R PART III Program Administration (Revised)<br>Is this training required?<br>Required Optional<br>Complete by this date<br>09/28/2019 |
|   | This data will be used when the item is added<br>to your RVSR's learning plan. <b>Note</b> : Optional<br>training with or without a date is not trackable<br>for compliance.  | Cancel   |
|   | Select <b>Add</b> to send the information to TMS.<br>The item will be added to the RVSR's learning<br>plan within 30 minutes.   |  |
|   | Select <b>Cancel</b> to return to the list.   |  |







| # | Step  |                              |                 |                               | Window                          | N  |               |
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| 3 | Once the item has been added, the Status is<br>changed to "Added" (with the Required By<br>date), the hours value is incremented ( <u>Current</u><br><u>FY</u> hours or <u>No due date</u> hours) to provide the<br>user with the total number of training hours<br>assigned through the Student Training<br>Workbench, and the total number of actions is<br>reduced. The RVSR's TMS learning plan will be<br>populated. |                              |                 |                               |                                 |  |               |
|   | Only Optional items will allow the date field to<br>be empty, i.e. No due date (Complete by NTL).<br><b>Note</b> : Optional training with or without a date<br>is not trackable for compliance.   |                              |                 |                               |                                 |  |               |
|   | To remove the item from the RVSR's learning<br>plan in TMS after it has already been added,<br>click the <b>X</b> next to the date within the green   | Complete By<br>K (Sicol Cath | Status<br>Added | Completed On                  | TMS #:<br>Q_VA3557849           | Title:<br>V VIII M2DR PAUT VI Exployeerst Services<br>(Neviced)                                | Hours<br>1    |
|   | button. The <b>Remove Training Item</b> dialog box is displayed.  | Complete By<br># 04/06/2019  | Status<br>Added | Completed On                  | TMS #<br>Q, VA 4315040          | Title:<br>v V33:-LRefrecher-OP-Concluding IL Case<br>Management                                | Hours<br>0.75 |
|   | Confirm the action by clicking the <b>Remove</b>  | Complete By                  | Status<br>Added | Completed On                  | TMS #:<br>Q, VA 4915942         | Tible:<br>• V&E-L-Refrecher-11-Use of the Home<br>Improvement and Structural Alterations Grant | Hours<br>1    |
|   | button. This action is usually completed in 30 minutes within TMS.  | Complete By                  | Status<br>Added | Completed On                  | TMS #:<br><b>Q</b> , VA 4318501 | Title:<br>VIE-NCT-Refresher-D4-Vacational Feasibility  | Hours<br>13   |
|   | <b>IMPORTANT</b> : When a training item needs to be<br>removed from an RVSR's TMS 2.0 To Do list, it is<br>important to <u>use the Student Training</u><br><u>Workbench to perform this action</u> .  | Th                           | is item will b  | the item has bee<br>TMS #: VA | en removed.<br>3904755          | ning plan. Please review this action in<br>ition Network (JAN) Training                        | <             |
|   | Also note that you will not be able to re-add the<br>item if it has been removed. Please notify the<br>help desk if you need to re-add the item.  |                              |                 |                               |                                 | Cancel <b>X</b> Remove   |               |

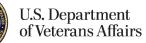






| # | Step   | Window  |
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| 4 | As the user considers each training item based<br>upon the diagnostic assessment performance<br>and CS guidance, training items may be<br>removed from the list view by selecting<br><b>Dismiss</b> . The Dismiss Training Item dialog box is<br>displayed.<br>To complete the action, select the <b>Dismiss</b><br>button.  | Image: Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Title:       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       Dismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       Dismiss       Status       Dismiss Training Item       ×       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       Dismiss Training Item       ×       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       Dismiss Training Item       ×       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       Dismiss Training Item       ×       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       Dismiss Training Item       ×       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       New       Dismiss Training Item       ×       Vice M28R PART VI Employment       1         Image: Status       New       New       Dismiss this item if you have determined that you do not want to add it to the students learning plan.       Cancel Image: Dismiss |
| 5 | Once the item has been dismissed, the status<br>changes to Dismissed and the total number of<br>actions is reduced. This action does not affect<br>the RVSR's TMS 2.0 To Do list.<br>If the user later decides to add the training item<br>to an RVSR's learning plan, the item is<br>accessible by changing the <b>Status</b> filter to <b>All</b> or<br><b>Dismissed</b> .   | ○ Add to TMS       Status<br>Dismissed       Completed On<br>Missing       TMS #:<br>Q, VA 4315831       Title:<br>v VRE-IL-Refresher-01-Understanding<br>the IL Program       Hours<br>0.5         ○ Add to TMS       Status<br>Dismissed       Completed On<br>Dismissed       TMS #:<br>Q, VA 4318802       Title:<br>v VRE-NCT-Refresher-05-Vocational<br>Assessment and Exploration       Hours<br>1.5         ○ Add to TMS       Status<br>Dismissed       Completed On<br>Dismissed       TMS #:<br>Q, VA 4318811       Title:<br>v VRE-NCT-Refresher-13-Modifying the<br>Plan       Hours<br>1.5         Sort By       Status       Completed On<br>Dismissed       TMS #:<br>Q, VA 4318811       Title:<br>v VRE-NCT-Refresher-13-Modifying the<br>Plan       Hours<br>1   |
| 6 | Dismiss All This button will dismiss all remaining items where the status is New or Previously Added. If the assessment and / or Badge filters are applied, then only those items will be dismissed. Select the Dismiss All button to complete the action. Note that the badge award-or-decline function will be available after all items have been dismissed. The RVSR, supervisor, and training manager will need to agree if all items are being | Image: Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VIE       Hours         Olismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VIE       Hours         Olismiss       Status       Completed On       TMS #:       VIE       Hours         Olismiss       Status       Dismiss All Remaining New Items       VIE       Chapter 31       Chapter 431         By       Status       1       Chapter the status of the remaining New Items to Dismissed. You are still able to add a dismissed item   |









| # | Step   | Window   |
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| 7 | The workbench user has access to individual feedback reports by accessing the <b>Individual Feedbacks</b> tab.             | Control       Control         Andrew State       Distributed         Andrew State <t< td=""></t<> |
| 7 | The workbench user has access to the student's<br>overall feedback report by accessing the<br><b>Overall Feedback</b> tab. | <section-header></section-header>  |

C.3 How to Generate Student Results (Alternate Method from the Student Training Workbench)

IMPORTANT: ALL NAMES/LOCATIONS LISTED IN THIS GUIDE ARE FICTITIOUS







| # | Step  | Window  |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Select the <b>Student Results</b> button on the Report<br>Categories window.  | If Home / ReportCategories         Test Results         Reports that analyze the results of a specific test using your autocitation rights         Text Results         Class Results         Instructor reports for the class results         Class Results         Nature training workbench         Manage training workbagenetic assessments for the current training workbench         Manage training workbagenetic assessments for the current training workbagenetic ass |
| 2 | Select the search icon ( ) to display the <i>Lookup People</i> window.  | Home / Report Categories / Student Results Click on the magnifying glass to enter criteria to locate a student. Once a student is slected, reports are available for each assessment, the student, and all tracks the student may have participated in. A student may exist multiple times with different identifiers depending on the application that launched the assessment. Student *  |
| 3 | <ul> <li>Enter your search parameters and select the Search icon or press the Enter key. A list of users who match the search criteria will be presented below the search icon.</li> <li>Select the Service in the drop-down list.</li> <li>(Optional) Enter a name segment in the Search textbox. This can be last name or first name or any portion of the name.</li> <li>Select the search icon ( ).</li> </ul> Note: if you only select a service, the search will provide all available names in that service for your location. | cport Cate       Lookup People (only first 30 hits are returned!)       ×         Search by Name, Service Code, Location, or Referrer.       ident may         stud       Search       Search for records         Stud       Cancel   |









| # | Step   | Window   |
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| 4 | Select the appropriate name (link) in the list. The<br>Lookup People window closes, and the Student<br>Results window is re-displayed with tabs below<br>the name.   | Intermed /       Report Cate         Click on the magg<br>available for each<br>student may exis<br>the assessment       Service       Image: Compensation         Stru       Sam       Image: Compensation       Image: Compensation         Name       Sam       Samantha_denley@VBA       Waco         Sam:       Sam:       Image: Compensation       Image: Compensation         Sam:       Sam:       Samantha_denley@VBA       Stoulds         Sam:       Image: Compensation       Image: Compensation       Image: Compensation         Showing 1 to 4 of 4 entries       Previous:       1       Next         Cancel       Remove Value       Image: Cancel       Remove Value |
| 5 | Student Feedback tab:         The Student Feedback tab displays a list of that         student's completed assessments. Select the         appropriate Report name and the report is         generated and opened in a new window. Below         is additional information about the student's         reports:         Feedback         Displays the feedback report which was delivered to         Legend         Displays the legend key that is assigned to each que |  |
| 6 | Student Summary tab:<br>This tab provides summary report of all<br>assessments completed by a student.<br>Student Completions<br>Displays summary results for every assessment this  | Student Feedback       Student Summary         → Student Completions       Used in Student Results. Shows all assessment outcomes that a student has completed. Allows filtering by date range.         student has completed.   |
| 7 | Track Summary tab:<br>This tab displays student track summary reports.<br>RVSR Diagnostic Assessment Portal<br>Displays the student's proficiency in each<br>completed assessment and a compiled list of recom<br>This was available to the student after completing a   | Student Feedback Student Summary Track Summary<br>Q VRC Diagnostic Assessment Portal - Inforim Assessment<br>VR&E, working with EDT. developed a series of diagnostic assessments designed to help VRCs determine their proficiency with respect<br>to job-related competencies. Its purpose is to help each employee determine their individual training needs (recommends tailored<br>training), eliminating redundant instruction and providing additional time for professional development and meeting with Veterans.<br>The mended training items across all RVSR CBTS assessments.<br>It least two diagnostic assessments.  |





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# C.4 How to Generate Assessment Results (Alternate Method from the Student Training Workbench)

## IMPORTANT: ALL NAMES/LOCATIONS LISTED IN THIS GUIDE ARE FICTITIOUS

| # | Step   | Window   |  |
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| 1 | Select the <b>Assessment Results</b> button on the Report Categories window.   | Elsaws / Report Criegories   Test Results   Reports that analyze the results of a specific test using your actuation rights   Student Results   Test Results   Class Results   Class Results   Student Training Workbench   Manage training and badges for individuals that have completed the required diagnostic assessments for the current for the current for the current for a year.   Class Results |  |
| 2 | <ul> <li>you have typed. Next to the assessment name is the Note: The RVSR CBTS assessment names are:</li> <li>Claims Processing for RVSRs (assessment number)</li> <li>Health and Medical Processes</li> <li>VBA Applications</li> <li>Veterans Benefits and Eligibility</li> </ul> | appear below the field with assessments containing the text<br>the date the assessment was published.  |  |



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| #   | Step  | Window   |  |  |
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| 3   | The Assessment Results window is updated with one or more tabs below the selection.   |  |  |  |
|   | Assessment Reports tab:   | Test Name Case Management 1 - 02/05/2019  Show Reports   |  |  |
|   | Select the appropriate Report name and the report<br>is generated and opened in a new window. Below<br>is additional information about the available<br>assessment reports: | Test Summary           Settings         Summary           Test Name:         Case Management 1         Completions:         13           Test Type:         Diagnostic         First Completion Date:         2019/02/06 07:43 Wed           Test Reports         Comparison Reports         Last Completion Date:         2019/02/15 13:27 Fri                                  |  |  |
|   | Assessment by Assessment  | Assessment by Test<br>Used in Test Results: Results by Section, Page, & Question.  |  |  |
|   | Displays the overall results (summarized) for the selected Assessment by Section, Page, and Questions.  | Assessment by Test with Distractors Used In Test Results. Results by Section, Page, Question, & Distractors. Assessment Legend Provides a legend for Test Assessment reports broken down by Section, Project, Case, & Question. Diagnostic Summary by KSA Used In Test Results. Thow group results for test broken down by KSA's and showing the suggested TMS Items with hours. |  |  |
|   | Assessment by Assessment with Distractors   | Student Assessment by Section<br>Used in Test Results. Provides a listing of students, dates completed, section titles, and total questions correct.   |  |  |
|   | Displays the overall results (summarized) for the selected Assessment by Section, Page, Questions, and Distractors.   |  |  |  |
|   | Assessment Legend   |  |  |  |
|   | Displays the legend key that is assigned to each question for the selected assessment.  |  |  |  |
|   | Diagnostic Summary by KSA   |  |  |  |
| Displays a summary report with an overall proficiency rating, overall results for each KSA, and a co<br>training items for RVSRs in the Student Training Workbench. |   |  |  |  |
|   | Student Assessment by Section   |  |  |  |
|   | Displays a list of students with the date the student completed each section and the number of correct questions.   |  |  |  |



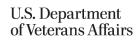






| #  | Step  | Window   |  |  |
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|  | <i>Comparison Reports Tab:</i><br>The RVSR CBTS assessments are grouped int<br>assessment group. When a assessment is p<br>a assessment group, the <i>Comparison Report</i><br>becomes available to provide assessment gr<br>reports.   | Test Name:     Case Management 1     Competions: 13       Test Type:     Diagnostic     First Completion Date:     2019/02/607/43Wed       TMS Item Id:     Last Completion Date:     2019/02/15 13:27 Fri       ts:     tab     Test Reports     Comparison Reports   |  |  |
| Student Assessment Matrix<br>Lists all participants of that track and their status for each completed assessment. Their ave<br>completed assessments is in the final column of each row. The average assessment score as<br>the first row of the table. The assessment with the lowest average score is highlighted in yel |   |  |  |  |
|  | completed assessments is in the final colum   | n of each row. The average assessment score across all RVSRs is  |  |  |
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# **D Proficiency Range Descriptions**

The objective for all employees is to attain the advanced level of proficiency.

| Proficiency            | Description  |
|------------------------|--|
| Entry                  | <ul> <li>Applies competency in simple to somewhat difficult situations</li> <li>Demonstrates awareness and familiarity with concepts and processes</li> </ul>  |
| 0-69%                  | <ul> <li>Will require close to frequent guidance/supervision</li> <li>Requires refresher training (no more than 40 hours)</li> </ul>   |
| Intermediate<br>70-79% | <ul> <li>Applies competency in difficult situations</li> <li>Demonstrates understanding of concepts and processes</li> <li>Will require occasional guidance</li> <li>Requires refresher training (no more than 40 hours)</li> </ul>  |
| Advanced<br>80-100%    | <ul> <li>Applies competency in considerably difficult situations</li> <li>Demonstrates broad understanding of concepts and processes</li> <li>Will require little to no guidance and generally can serve as a key resource and advise/train others</li> <li>Station discretionary training on the National Training Curriculum (NTC): Professional and personal development training (optional)</li> </ul> |

