



SECTION 107: EFFECTIVE ON OR AFTER AUGUST 1, 2018

Domestic Schools with Separate Mailing and Physical Addresses

- **Before August 1, 2018:** Claimants will receive the 2017 VA Rate until Rate Protection (formerly known as grandfathering) is broken.
- **After August 1, 2018:** MHA calculated based on physical campus location with majority of attendance hours: main, branch, or extension.
- **Foreign Schools:** Foreign schools with US-based mailing address will be paid based on zip code 99999 beginning on or after January 1, 2020. Foreign schools with foreign mailing addresses will continue to be paid at the foreign school rate (national average).



SECTION 501: EFFECTIVE ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2018

3 Populations of Affected Claimants

- **VA For Life:** Claimants who began receiving housing before January 1, 2018.
- **Special Population:** Claimants who began receiving housing between January 1, 2018 and July 31, 2018; will receive the 2017 VA Rate until the DoD Rate is higher.
- **DoD For Life:** Claimants who began receiving housing on or after August 1, 2018.

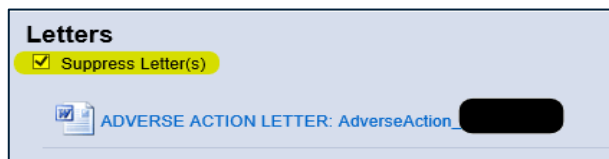
RATE PROTECTION

Protects individuals who are continuously enrolled at the same campus until one of the following occur:

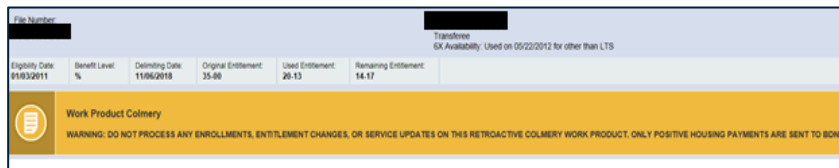
- Change in facility code for the majority of classes
- Break in housing receipts for six months or more (except for Active Duty)
- Drop in ROP to 50% or less
- Student has not received housing benefits before

- **Only positive housing payments will be released**
- **If the claim cannot be worked, SUSPEND the claim, notify Coach & local on-site Colmery Team Members**
- **New Letters**
 - Payment: 501 result in a net Housing payment
 - No Change: 501 result in no change to Housing
 - Debt: 501 result in a net Housing debt
 - COWC waiver granted due to 501 result in a net Housing debt
 - Note: Letters generated during this process cannot be edited
 - Any non-501 changes must be worked in a separate WP
- **Fry Spouse/sensitive claims processing to continue per current processing procedures**

- **VCEs must select the Suppress Letter(s) checkbox prior to authorization in the following circumstances:**
 - If a letter requires a manual edit (capture to TIMS per existing procedures)
 - If an incorrect letter is generated



- **TOE letters display “null%” when the delimiting date is reached and will need to be edited before manually printing and release to the claimant.**



What Benefits Will You Receive

Based on your eligibility percentage at the null% rate and the enrollment information we received from your school(s), your benefit was determined as follows:

- **Remaining Benefits:** You have 14 months and 17 days remaining (38 USC 3312). You will remain eligible under the Post-9/11 GI Bill until November 6, 2018 (38 USC 3321).

WORKAROUNDS

501 FIST/FAUT

- **Manual FIST/FAUT is only permitted for service members and/or TOE claimants for the following changes during the 12/1 Retro WP:**
 - Increase or Decrease in benefit level (entering/release from active duty)
 - Kicker added
 - TOE Entitlement Increase
 - Books and Supplies payment due on 12/1/2019

COLMERY SUBJECT-MATTER EXPERTS

BUFFALO

- **Adriann Chrapa**
- **Natalia Flynn**
- **Anthony Mazur**

MUSKOGEE

- **Whitney Cramer**
- **Mikeus Moore**
- **Magen Robison**

ST. LOUIS

- **Jennifer Gillan**
- **Kristen Murray**