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| **PART III. Program Administration**  **Section C. Rights and Responsibilities Under Chapter 31** | |
| **CHAPTER 5. Delegation of Authority** | |
| **Objectives:** | After completion of this training, a VR&E staff is expected to:  • Understand the organization in which the Chapter 31 benefits are administered through delegated authority.   * Identify the different responsibilities that have been entrusted to VR&E in providing services to Chapter 31 program participants. |
| **Contents:** | **Secretary’s Delegation of Authority to Certain Officials**  a. The Under Secretary for Benefits  b. Director of VR&E Service  c. Regional Office Directors  d. Director of Veterans Affairs RO Manila, Philippines  **Veteran Service Center (VSC) Adjudicative Personnel Responsibilities**  a. Evidence  b. Outreach  c. Service Determinations  d. Dependency  e. Rating Actions  **VR&E Division Responsibilities**  a. Outreach  b. Generated Eligibility Determination (GED)/Master Record  c. Evaluation  d. Period of Eligibility  e. Feasibility  f. Independence in Daily Living  g. Employment Services  h. Assistance to an Ineligible Veteran  i. Rehabilitation Plan  j. Authorization of Awards and Master Record Changes  **Delegation to Sign Correspondence for the VR&E Officer**  **Delegation to Prepare and Authorize Awards and Other Authorizations**  a. Single-Signature Actions  b. Actions Requiring Two Signatures |
| **Exercises:** | 1. Who have been delegated authorities by the Under Secretary to make decisions that affect the vocational rehabilitation services for Veterans with disabilities? Explain each delegation. 2. What are the VSC’s delegated responsibilities in relation to the Chapter 31 program? 3. What are VR&E‘s responsibilities in insuring successful implementation of the Chapter 31 program? 4. What authorities can a VR&E Officer delegate? |
| **Rescission Information:** | Part III rescinds the following chapters of the M28, M28-1, and M28-2:  M28, Part IV, Subpart l, Chapter 4; Part III, Chapter 1, 2, 3, 4  M28-1, Part I, Chapters 6, 7, 8  M28-2, Part I, Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; Part II, Chapter 2; Part IV, Chapters 1, 2, 3  The following VR&E Letter was also rescinded:  VR&E Letter 28-04-15 |