

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
Charter of the
Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education

1. Official Designation. Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education.

2. Authority. The Committee is authorized by 38 U.S.C. § 3692 and operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. 10). P.L. 117-180 § 404, extended the Committee's statutory authority to December 31, 2026.

3. Objectives and Scope of Activity. The Committee provides advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (SECVA) on the administration of education and training programs for Veterans and Service members; Reservists and Guard personnel; and for dependents of Veterans, including programs under Chapters 30, 32, 33, 35, and 36 of title 38, U.S.C. and Chapter 1606 of title 10, U.S.C.

4. Description of Duties. The Committee advises SECVA on existing VA education benefit programs and services and recommends new and improved education benefit programs and services. The Committee will submit its recommendations and reports to SECVA and may also submit its reports to Congress.

5. Official to Whom the Committee Reports. The Committee reports to SECVA.

6. Office Responsible for Providing the Support to the Committee. The Veterans Benefits Administration provides administrative and logistical support for all Committee activities.

7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs in Dollars and Staff Years. Estimated annual operating costs for the Committee are approximately \$72,000 and 0.3 staff-years. All members will receive travel expenses and a per diem allowance in accordance with the Federal Travel Regulations for any travel made in connection with their duties as members of the Committee.

8. Designated Federal Officer. The Designated Federal Officer (DFO), a full time VA employee, will approve the schedule of committee and subcommittee meetings. The DFO, or a designee, will be present at all committee and subcommittee meetings, and each meeting will be conducted in accordance with an agenda approved by the DFO. The DFO is authorized to adjourn any meeting when he or she determines it is in the public interest to do so.

9. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings. The Committee is expected to meet at least once annually.

10. Duration. There is a continuing need for the Committee to assist the Secretary in carrying out the responsibilities described in 38 U.S.C. § 3692.

