



# Veteran Benefit Quick Facts

## Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (Chapter 35)

### What is Chapter 35/Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance?

The VA's Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (chapter 35) program provides education and training opportunities to eligible dependents and survivors of certain Veterans.

### Who is eligible for Chapter 35?

Eligible individuals are Veterans' and Service members' dependents, spouses and surviving spouses who have been found eligible by the Regional Processing Office (RPO) because of one of the following:

- The Veteran's death was caused by the service-connected disability
- The Veteran is rated for total and permanent service-connected disability
- The Servicemember is Missing in Action (MIA)
- The Servicemember is captured in the line of duty
- The Servicemember is forcibly detained for longer than 90 days
- The Servicemember who VA determines has a service-connected permanent and total disability that will result in a discharge from military service
- Participants include a dependent child between the ages of 14 to 31 and a spouse, or surviving spouse, who qualifies for the benefit

### What are the benefits I will receive under Chapter 35?

Those eligible to receive Chapter 35 benefits can receive the following services: Education and Career Counseling, Special Assistance, Special Restorative Training, Specialized vocational Training. The Education and Career Counseling component assist eligible recipients with assistance on career choice, guidance on effective use of VA benefits, and personalized support to assist in removing barriers to academic or adjustment success.

### Educational Assistance Allowance Monthly Rate (Dependent on Class Schedule Status)

- **Full Time** - \$1,224
- **$\frac{3}{4}$  Time** - \$967
- **$\frac{1}{2}$  Time** - \$710
- **Between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  Time** - \$710 (toward tuition and fees ONLY)
- **$\frac{1}{4}$  Time or Less** - \$306 (toward tuition and fees ONLY)