



GI Bill® Beneficiaries: YOUR NEW TALENT PIPELINE

Industries today are constantly on the lookout for talent, and our nation's Veterans are a proven talent pool. The Departments of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Labor (DOL) are working together to make GI Bill® approval for registered apprenticeship programs a seamless process.

As a **Registered Apprenticeship** program, your program may be **"Approved for GI Bill®"**. This would give your organization a huge leg-up in attracting valuable Veteran talent while receiving support for your critical training activities.

To determine whether your program is eligible and create an account online, please visit the Michigan State Approving Agency (MISAA) website at **app.wda.state.mi.us/saa/**.

If you'd prefer to contact the MISAA for advice and guidance, they can be reached by email at: **LEO-MISAA@Michigan.gov**.

To ensure that eligible Veterans in your Registered Apprenticeship program can receive GI Bill® benefits, you will need to be prepared to complete the following information:

- Employer's Application to Provide Job Training, VA Form 22-8865. This, and many other related documents, can be found on the GI Bill® website: **Benefits.va.gov/GIbill**.
- Designation of Certifying Official(s), VA Form 22-8794
- Registered Apprenticeship Program Standards

The MISAA can authorize your Registered Apprenticeship program typically within 30 days.

Then, VA can provide your eligible Veterans with the GI Bill® education benefits they have earned. Please inform your Veteran apprentices **they should visit the GI Bill® website to complete their approval to receive benefits**.

By taking advantage of this program, your organization is **supporting your current eligible Veteran apprentices** while ensuring that **you'll be certified to provide GI Bill® benefits to future Veterans** you hire in the Registered Apprenticeship program.



We encourage you to inform your Veteran apprentices about the GI Bill® benefits available and advertise your program's eligibility in your Veteran recruitment efforts.

Please note: It is completely voluntary for your organization to complete the forms, there is no charge for this service, and it is ultimately the Veteran's decision on whether and how to use these benefits.

Additional Employer Resources

You can post your available Registered Apprenticeship job openings on the Department of Labor's (DOL's) online Employment Center at

Apprenticeship.gov/list-your-apprenticeship-jobs.

The statewide Michigan Works! Agencies can assist you in identifying available qualified Veterans who are looking for job opportunities. To find the nearest One-Stop Service Center, visit **MichiganWorks.org**.

For assistance with Registered Apprenticeship, visit **Michigan.gov/Apprenticeship** or **Apprenticeship.gov**.

To learn more about the GI Bill®, visit **Benefits.va.gov/GIbill**.