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the veteran to attain the long-range goal. The development of appropriate intermediate objectives is the cornerstone of an effective plan. Intermediate objectives should have the following characteristics:

- (i) The activity specified relates to the achievement of the goal;
- (ii) The activity specified is definable in terms of observable behavior (e.g., pursuing an A.A. degree);
- (iii) The activity has a projected completion date;
- (iv) The outcome desired upon completion is measurable (e.g., receiving an A.A. degree).
- (3) The specific services to be provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs as stated. Counseling shall be included in all plans for a veteran with a serious employment handicap.
- (4) The projected starting and completion dates of the planned services and the duration of each service;
- (5) Objective criteria and an evaluation procedure and schedule for determining whether the objectives and goals are being achieved as set forth; and
- (6) The name, location, and phone number of the VBA case manager.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3107(a))

[49 FR 40814, Oct. 18, 1984; 50 FR 9622, Mar. 11, 1985]

## §21.86 Individualized extended evaluation plan.

(a) *Purpose*. The purpose of an IEEP is to identify the services needed for the VA to determine the veteran's current ability to achieve a vocational goal when this cannot reasonably be determined during the initial evaluation.

 $(Authority;\, 38\ U.S.C.\ 3106(a),\, 3107(a))$ 

- (b) *Elements of the plan*. An IEEP shall include the same elements as an IWRP except that:
- (1) The long range goal shall be to determine achievement of a vocational goal is currently reasonably feasible;
- (2) The intermediate objectives relate to problems of questions which must be resolved for the VA to determine the

current reasonable feasibility of achieving a vocational goal.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3106(a), 3107(a))

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## §21.88 Individualized employment assistance plan.

(a) *Purpose*. The purpose of the IEAP (Individualized Employment Assistance Plan) is to assure that a comprehensive, thoughtful approach is taken, enabling eligible veterans to secure suitable employment.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3107)

- (b) Requirement for a plan. An IEAP will be prepared:
- (1) As part of an IWRP; or
- (2) When the veteran is eligible for employment assistance under provisions of §21.47.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3107(a))

- (c) Elements of the plan. The IEAP shall follow the same structure as the IWRP. Each IEAP will include full utilization of community resources to enable the veteran to:
  - (1) Secure employment; and
  - (2) Maintain employment.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3117)

- (d) Preparation of the IEAP. Preparation of the IEAP will be completed:
- (1) No later than 60 days before the projected end of the period of rehabilitation services leading to the point of employability; or
- (2) Following initial evaluation when employment services constitute the whole of the veteran's program under provisions of §21.47.

 $(Authority;\,38~U.S.C.\,3107(a))$ 

## §21.90 Individualized independent living plan.

(a) Purpose. The purpose of the IILP is to identify the steps through which a veteran, whose disabilities are so severe that a vocational goal is not currently reasonably feasible, can become more independent in daily living within the family and community.

 $(Authority;\, 38\ U.S.C.\ 3109,\, 3120)$