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FOR: ALL REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS (RAVETs) AND DIRECTORS FOR VETERANS’ EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING (DVETs)
ALL STATE WORKFORCE AGENCY ADMINISTRATORS (SWA)
ALL REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION (INFO)

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SUBJECT: Implementation Plan for Public Law 107-288

I. Purpose: To provide a status report on the implementation of Public Law (P.L.) 107-288, the "Jobs for Veterans Act." This Veterans’ Program Letter (VPL) transmits the progress achieved to date in implementing this important legislation, as well as transmitting the projected goals established under several key work plans.

II. Background: With the enactment of P. L. 107-288 on November 7, 2002, numerous changes were made to Chapters 41 and 42 of Title 38, United States Code (38 U.S.C. 41 and 42). To execute the provisions of this new law, the Veterans’ Employment and Training Service (VETS) has developed an implementation plan in conjunction with its partners and other Department of Labor agencies. Each section of VETS’ overall implementation plan was assigned to a specific individual/team for coordination and execution. Specific work plans were designed by each individual/team to accomplish these changes.

III. Implementation Plan: The overall implementation plan experiences frequent changes as work plans are refined, conditions shift, and opportunities emerge. This VPL reports the status of 12 specific work plans. Each work plan enclosed with this VPL includes the work plan’s scope, the progress achieved to date, and the major milestones, as currently met or projected.
IV. **Information on the Web:** P.L. 107-288 may be accessed through VETS’ homepage or at [www.nvti.cudenver.edu/new/PL107-288.pdf](http://www.nvti.cudenver.edu/new/PL107-288.pdf). A listing of frequently asked questions and answers will also be posted on the National Veterans’ Training Institute (NVTI) website at [www.nvti.cudenver.edu/new/107_288/info-page.htm](http://www.nvti.cudenver.edu/new/107_288/info-page.htm). Because many of the questions raised to date require policy decisions and legal interpretation, immediate answers to these questions may not yet be available. The NVTI website will be updated as implementation of the new law progresses and more information becomes available.

V. **Inquiries:** Questions regarding the new law should be addressed to the Director for Veterans’ Employment and Training (DVET) in your State. DVETs are to forward all questions through their Regional Administrator to Ronald Bachman in VETS’ National Office ([bachman-ronald@dol.gov](mailto:bachman-ronald@dol.gov)).

Enclosure