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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Jobs for Veterans State Grant Recipients and

Veterans' Employment and Training Service Staff

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Jobs for Veterans State Grant

Changes to VA/DOL Memorandum of Agreement dated

February 27, 2015

This memorandum updates Jobs for Veterans State Grant (JVSG) grantees on major changes to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Service (VR&E)/Department of Labor (DOL), Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) National Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated February 27, 2015.

LABOR MARKET INFORMATION (LMI) REFERRALS The 100 percent referral requirement for LMI is eliminated. However, VR&E stations are encouraged to make referrals as needed, particularly for enhanced LMI not otherwise accessible to stations. The rationale for this change is VR&E stations now have the ability to access LMI from O*NET or other resources used by DOL-sponsored State Agencies. The elimination of this requirement will reduce redundancy and duplication, save time, and eliminate the need to solicit information that is available through online resources.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES REFERRALS Veterans enrolled in VR&E will continue to be referred to state agencies for employment services. As the Federal government's lead agency on employment, DOL-funded services provide critical expertise, access to networks, employers, and other resources that make their role an important component to the employment success of veterans enrolled in the Chapter 31 program and positively influences rehabilitations.

VETS 201 REPORTING This report is no longer required. The elimination of this report will provide state agency, VA, and DOL staff increased time for service delivery and program management. Grantees are encouraged to use existing data collection and reporting systems to track these individuals referred for services.

No other changes are effected at this time. Changes will be reflected in updates to the VA/DOL National MOA, VETS program guidance issued through a Veterans' Program Letter and an updated Technical Assistance Guide (TAG) under development in FY 2019.

INQUIRIES Questions regarding information provided in this memorandum should be directed to the Grant Officer's Technical Representative for your JVSG grant.