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of required written work which involves the application of principles studied in each lesson, the correction of assigned work with such suggestions or recommendation as may be necessary to instruct the student, the keeping of student achievement records and issuance of a diploma, certificate, or other evidence to the student upon satisfactorily completing the requirements of the course.

(b) With institutions, training establishments, employers, or individuals approved to provide training and rehabilitation services under Chapter 31, Title 38, United States Code, for whom special services or special courses are furnished at the request of the Department of Veterans Affairs. The terms "special services" or "special courses" have the same meaning as under 831.7001-2.

 $[49~\mathrm{FR}~12641,~\mathrm{Mar}.~29,~1984;~50~\mathrm{FR}~798,~\mathrm{Jan}.~7,~1985]$

871.201-2 Requirements when contracts are not required.

(a) When a contract is not required, a signed statement of charges will be obtained from the educational institution or training establishment for courses to be offered, including the rate of tuition, fees, and separate charges, if any, for books, supplies, and equipment handling charges, refund policy and such other provisions as are required to determine proper payment. The statement of charges may be in the form of a statement on VA Form 22-1905, Authorization and Certification of Entrance or Reentrance into Training, that charges will be in accordance with catalog or other published document (identify publication). The statement of charges may not exceed those charges paid by nonveterans or that is published in the school catalog or other published document.

(b) For the purpose of this section a contract will not be required when all tuition, fees, books, supplies, or services necessary to train, or educate an eligible veteran under Chapter 31, Title 38, United States Code, are published in the school catalog or other published document.

 $[49 \ \mathrm{FR} \ 12641, \ \mathrm{Mar.} \ 29, \ 1984; \ 50 \ \mathrm{FR} \ 798, \ \mathrm{Jan.} \ 7, \ 1985]$

871.201-3 Medical services.

The medical services provided trainees under vocational rehabilitation and education contracts, agreements, or arrangements are separate and distinct from any other medical service under the jurisdiction of the Veterans Health Administration to which the veteran may be entitled and no certificate of eligibility is required from that administration.

[49 FR 12641, Mar. 29, 1984, as amended at 54 FR 40066, Sept. 29, 1989; 61 FR 20494, May 7, 1996]

871.201-4 Letter contracts.

Letter contracts are authorized for use in accordance with the provision of FAR 16.603 and in those cases in which it is not possible to complete a formal contract with an approved educational institution prior to the enrollment of eligible veterans for training.

871.202 Marking and release of supplies.

Supplies will not be marked to indicate ownership by the United States and will be deemed released to the trainee at the time they are furnished.

871.203 Renewals or supplements to contracts.

Except for contracts for educational and vocational counseling, contracts may be renewed from year to year, providing there is no change in the schedule or provisions as originally consummated by completion of a renewal agreement no later than 30 days prior to the expiration of the contract.

- (a) Supplements may be negotiated at any time during the contract period upon the completion of the supplemental agreement.
- (b) Contracts for educational and vocational counseling may provide for automatic extension from year to year.

871.204 Guaranteed payment.

No contract or agreement may be entered into with any institution or training establishment whereby the Department of Veterans Affairs will be required to pay a minimum charge, or required to enroll a minimum number