

Career Advancement Account Program

The Career Advancement Account is a grant for UP TO \$6,000.00 for eligible military spouses stationed aboard Camp Pendleton. The Department of Defense and Department of Labor partnered to produce a grant as an education initiative to support training and education opportunities for military spouses leading to high-growth/in-demand portable careers. For more on this please visit www.milspouse.org

In order to qualify for a Career Advancement Account, the military spouse must have a high school diploma or GED, the military service member or sponsor must be an active duty service member stationed at Camp Pendleton, and remain on station at least a year or the duration of the education program.

Orientations are held every Friday at the Marine & Family Services building 13150 and the first Friday of every month at the SOI Marine & Family Services building 520512 in the Joint Education Center location. Orientations are by reservation only and the military spouse interested in the CAA will need to follow a few easy steps to get into the orientation.

The following are the steps to applying for the CAA.

Already know which career path is right for you? Follow these steps:

Step 1: Contact the Joint Education Center at (760) 725-6414.

If you have already chosen a program or field of study:

The program selected needs to end in a degree, certification, credential, or licensure from a regionally, nationally, or WIA-approved school within 2 years. Be sure and review this information with an Education Counselor.

If you need assistance choosing the program:

Make an appointment with an Education Counselor to receive assistance in selecting the right program for you.

Step 2: Upon successful verification of the program, the JEC will reserve a seat reserved for the most appropriate orientation.

Not sure which career path is right for you? Follow these steps:

Step 1: Contact a FMEAP Employment Consultant at 760-725-4737, for further Career Counseling. An Employment Consultant can provide a Discover Assessment; this is an online career assessment program. The Discover Assessment provides the participant with excellent resources to assess personal interests, abilities and value inventories, explore occupations, and research schools in specific areas by major, keyword, or field.