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MEMORANDUM FOR the ARNG Education and Incentives Personnel of all States, Puerto Rico, The Virgin Islands, Guam and the District of Columbia.

SUBJECT: Post-9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33) Update

1. The purpose of this message is to provide further information regarding the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 (Chapter 33 of title 38 U.S.C.), which was signed into law on 30 June 2008.
2. The effective date of this new GI Bill program is 1 August 2009.
3. Representatives from National Guard Bureau's Education Division (NGB-EDU) met recently with the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), Education Service in Washington, DC to discuss the provisions of this new law. Many provisions are undergoing legal review.
4. The DVA slide show attached to this EIOM, dated 25 July 2008, provides the most current Chapter 33 information available to date. State ARNG Education Services Officers and GI Bill Managers are strongly encouraged to use this DVA slide show as their primary Chapter 33 briefing tool. Updated DVA slide shows will be disseminated when available.
5. All ARNG Soldiers are encouraged to monitor the DVA GI Bill website at <http://www.gibill.va.gov/> for the latest Chapter 33 information. A Chapter 33 brochure and a Frequently Asked Questions page are available on the site and Soldiers may also sign up to receive email messages as new Chapter 33 information is added.
6. The Department of Defense (DoD) must issue guidance in the form of a Directive Type Memo or DoD Instruction before the Army National Guard can implement policy regarding this new educational assistance program. A release date for this guidance has not been determined.
7. The widest dissemination of this information is strongly encouraged.
8. POC for this message is Major Troy M. Gipps, ARNG GI Bill Programs Manager at [troy.gipps@us.army.mil](mailto:troy.gipps@us.army.mil), CML (501) 212-4962 or DSN: 962-4962.

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