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DIRECTIVE:	JOB CORPS INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 18-06
ТО:	ALL JOB CORPS NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF ALL JOB CORPS REGIONAL DIRECTORS ALL JOB CORPS CENTER DIRECTORS ALL JOB CORPS CENTER OPERATORS
FROM:	ALL NATIONAL TRAINING AND SUPPORT CONTRACTORS ALL OUTREACH, ADMISSIONS, AND CTS CONTRACTORS ALL CENTER USERS LENITA JACOBS-SIMMONS National Director Office of Job Corps
SUBJECT:	Adjustment to the Standardized Military Wage Rates for Calendar Year 2019

- 1. <u>Purpose.</u> This Information Notice is to inform the Job Corps community of the updated standardized military wage for Calendar Year (CY) 2019.
- 2. <u>Background</u>. Policy and Requirements Handbook Appendix 501 contains Job Corps' performance accountability system for Center Operators, Outreach and Admissions (OA) contractors, Career Transition Services (CTS) providers, Career Technical Training (CTT) programs, and the Performance Improvement Plan (PIP) system.

Job Corps must report on a variety of performance metrics, including initial hourly wage and earnings in the second and fourth quarters after the exit quarter for those who entered employment. These metrics are incorporated into the performance systems used to assess centers, CTS, and CTT programs. Job Corps uses standardized hourly and weekly rates for students who have entered the military to account for the principal components of the military compensation package. That rate is adjusted annually to reflect the changes in the military base pay and various allowances made by the House Armed Services Committee.

For CY2019, the military compensation package includes a 2.6 percent increase in base pay, a slight decrease in the subsistence allowance, and small increases in the clothing and housing allowances. As a result, the new CY2019 standardized military wage rates as of January 1, 2019, are listed below.

- Initial placement: \$17.25/hour
- Military placement in the second quarter after exit quarter: \$719.46 per week
- Military placement in the fourth quarter after exit quarter: \$766.33 per week

- 3. <u>Effective Date</u>. January 1, 2019
- 4. <u>Action</u>. These standardized rates apply to all initial military placements with a date reported (i.e., the date the student entered the military) on or after January 1, 2019. It also applies to all military placements reported in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) surveys where the Quarter 2 or Quarter 4 after exit period is on or after January 1, 2019.

For military placements whose Quarter 2 or Quarter 4 after exit period spans across CY2018 and CY2019, quarterly earnings are calculated using the proportion of the weeks in the reporting quarter the participant was in the military in 2019.

Addressees are to ensure this Information Notice is distributed to all appropriate staff.

5. <u>Inquiries</u>. Questions or comments should be addressed to Shao Zhang at (202) 693-3917, or emailed to <u>zhang.shao@dol.gov</u>.