

percent increase in base pay, a 3.7 percent subsistence increase, a 2.8 percent clothing allowance increase, and a 1.1 percent increase in the housing allowance from CY 2020. The new CY 2021 standardized military wage rates for Job Corps students as of January 1, 2021 are below.

- Initial placement: \$18.18 per hour
- Military placement in the second quarter after exit quarter: \$758.31 per week
- Military placement in the fourth quarter after exit quarter: \$808.08 per week

3. Action. 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, 2021. If a student placed in the military prior to CY 2021 is still in their placement window and still in the military as of January 1, 2021, then a placement upgrade can be filed so that the higher wage can be credited. However, as with any upgrade, CTS providers need to conduct due diligence with follow-up and verification with the student that they are still in the military.

The standardized rates also apply 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, 2021. For military placements whose Quarter 2 or Quarter 4 after exit period spans across CY 2020 and CY 2021, quarterly earnings are calculated using the proportion of the weeks in the reporting quarter the participant was in the military in CY 2021.

This Information Notice supersedes Information Notices 19-06.

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

4. Effective Date. January 1, 2021.

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