VETERANS GOLD CARD

Information Sheet

Background:

The Veterans Gold Card was announced by the President on November 7, 2011, and is intended to provide unemployed post-9/11 era veterans with the services they need to succeed in today's job market. The Gold Card initiative is a joint effort of the Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA) and the Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS).

These services may be offered to post-911 veterans who present a Gold Card and whose eligibility as such a veteran can be documented (typically the DD214).

Gold Card Services:

Under this initiative, an eligible veteran can present the Gold Card at his/her local workforce center to receive enhanced services. The enhanced in-person services available for Gold Card holders may include:

- Job readiness assessment, including interviews and testing;
- Development of an Individual Development Plan (IDP);
- Career guidance through group or individual counseling that helps veterans in making training and career decisions;
- Provision of labor market, occupational, and skills transferability information that inform educational, training, and occupational decisions;
- Referral to job banks, job portals, and job openings;
- Referral to employers and registered apprenticeship sponsors;
- Referral to training by WIA-funded or third party service providers; and
- Monthly follow-up by an assigned case manager for up to six months

Additional Resources:

- www.MyNextMove.org/vets
- www.careeronestop.org/VetsJobs

Inquiries: For more information on the Gold Card, contact the nearest Virginia Workforce Center or One-Stop Center at, <u>http://www.vec.virginia.gov/vecportal/field_field_offices.cfm</u>.

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GOLD CARD SERVICES FOR POST 9/11 ERA VETERANS

The One Stop Career Centers are ready to provide you intensive services for up to a six month period through an exciting array of career and supportive services to include:

- Case management
- Skills assessment and interest surveys
- Career guidance
- Job search assistance

HOW TO ACCESS GOLD CARD SERVICES?

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- Information about Gold Card Services can be found at www.dol.gov/vets/goldcard.html.
- Locate your nearest One Stop Career Center by going to America's Service Locator www.servicelocator.org or by calling Toll-Free 1-877-US2-JOBS (1-877-872-5627) TTY: 1-877-889-5627.
- Once a One-Stop Career Center has been located, go there and present this Card.
- Information about other services and benefits can be found at www.ebenefits.va.gov/ and www.nationalresourcedirectory.org.

Bigible Veterans will receive priority of service in all Department of Labor funded employment and training programs

