



**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE APPROVING AGENCIES, INC.  
FOR VETERANS EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

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With the implementation of Public Law 116-315-Sections-1010 through 1020, and the rising cost of tuition and fees each academic year, the GI Bill® could be a primary focal point for many for-profit educational institutions to launch various media advertisements to attract and coheres veterans and their family members to use their GI Bill® Benefits at their institutions.

Every educational institution must be held accountable not only for the enrollment of VA recipients, but for all students' financial contributions. Accountability to hold each educational institution responsible for their mischievous actions is less than a favorable return for our tax-payers' dollars and more importantly, for the investment that our veterans have made to this great country.

On January 5, 2021, the President signed the Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 (P.L.116-315) into law. This new law brings significant changes to Veterans' education benefits. Many of the changes enhance or expand education benefits for Veterans, Service members, families and survivors and provide for the improvement and/or expansion of various GI Bill® programs.

On October 1, 2022, the National Association of State Approving Agencies (NASAA) will transition from conducting compliance surveys to risk based surveys. NASAA looks forward to our new role and our ongoing collaboration with our VA partners and various veteran service organizations to ensure educational institutions adhere to Public Law 116-315.

As a result of the implementation of Public Law 116-315, Sections 1010 and 1019 will help in reducing the amount of over and underpayment to veterans and their family members.

**“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”** Education is the key to eliminating gender inequality, to reducing poverty, to creating a sustainable planet, to preventing needless deaths and illness, and to fostering peace (Nelson Mandela).”

Freedom is not free. Veterans have protected our freedom and democracy, and many have paid the ultimate sacrifice for our nation.

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As the gatekeepers for existing and new educational institutions to become approved to offer veterans education and training, NASAA will take the appropriate actions necessary against those entities that attract veterans and their family members that use advertising, sales, enrollment practices, or candidate handbooks that are erroneous, deceptive, or misleading by actual statement, omission, or intimation.

NASAA was established in 1948 and will celebrate its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary during the 2023 NASAA Summer Conference that will be held in Stowe, Vermont.

NASAA is comprised of 53 State Approving Agencies with over 200 professional and support staff members. As President, I am grateful to have this opportunity to lead and serve NASAA to ensure veterans and their family members continues to receive quality education and training.

I am elated to have this opportunity to work with such phenomenal people in NASAA, our VA partners and veteran service organizations to continue to protect the integrity of the GI Bill® Educational Benefits!

Sincerely,

Frank G. Myers, Jr.  
NASAA President