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TO: ALL COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS

SUBJECT: WINTER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING CONFERENCE (February 24 – February 28, 2020)

Even though the CVSO Fall Conference in Napa was cancelled due to the Kincadee Fires, training funds will still be allocated for the conference, based on the conference registrant list. As usual, funds will be disbursed after the six-month period in which the conference occurred.

This bulletin is also provided to obtain approval to attend the sanctioned California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) Winter Professional Training Conference in Sacramento as follows:

Starting: Monday, February 24th, 2020
Continuing: Tuesday, February 25th, Wednesday, February 26th, Thursday, February 27th
Ending: Friday, February 28th, 2020

In order to obtain funding, your county **must** be represented on Monday, February 24th (**starting at 1:00 p.m.**), Tuesday, February 25th, Wednesday, February 26th, Thursday, February 27th **and** the morning of Friday, February 28, 2020.

[Failure to attend both morning and afternoon training sessions on these days \(starting Monday at 1:00pm\) will result in a reduction in your 2019-2020 State Subvention and Veterans Service Office Fund \(VSOF\) as follows:](#)

Up to \$12,000 will be disbursed to each CVSO for training purposes under the Subvention Program.

- Each CVSO will receive \$1,500 for the CVSO plus one **supervisor or lead VSR** to attend each of the three CalVet-sanctioned training conferences (\$9,000 per CVSO per year). For example: If one CVSO staff person attends this CalVet-sanctioned conference, \$1,500 will be allocated; if two CVSO staff attend the conference, \$3,000 will be allocated; if no CVSO staff attend, then no training funds will be received for this conference.

NOTE: If more than two staff will be attending the CalVet sanctioned training, please e-mail, either David (david.lawrence@calvet.ca.gov) or Nancy (nancy.noriega@calvet.ca.gov) with the number of additional staff that will be attending.

- Each CVSO will receive \$1,000 for up to three CVSO personnel who need to become accredited by CalVet to attend the California Veterans Service Representative Academy (CVSRA) per year. If no CVSO staff attends the CVSRA, then the CVSO does not receive funding for this training purpose. If a CVSO does not have personnel to send to the CVSRA, the county can use the training funds (up to \$3,000 in a fiscal year) to send designated staff to the CalVet-sanctioned training conference.

NOTE: If training funds are available, additional staff may be allowed to attend academies and conferences within a fiscal year.

Up to \$1,500 will be disbursed for training purposes under (VSOF).

- Each CVSO will receive \$500 for the CVSO to attend each of the three CalVet-sanctioned conference trainings for a total of \$1,500 per fiscal year.

Per Section 453 (b) (5) of Title 12, California Code of Regulations, a proportional reduction in training funds will be applied to those counties that did not attend training. Training funds not utilized for that purpose by other CVSOs throughout the year, will be reallocated and distributed to all CVSO's, at the end of the fiscal year.

If you have questions regarding this training bulletin, please contact David Lawrence or Nancy Noriega.



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cc: Oakland, San Diego, Los Angeles D.O's

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