

TAP Seminar Agenda: 29 NOV – 2 DEC
City of Houston Office of Veterans Affairs
1216 W. Clay St. Houston, TX 77019

Day 1 (29 NOV): 0800 – 1500 (DoD Counseling & TAP Overview)

- 0800 – 0930: Department of Defense Pre-Separation Counseling
- 0930 – 0945: Break
- 0945 – 1100: Department of Defense Pre-Separation Counseling
- 1100 – 1230: Lunch program: provided by US Family Health Plan
- 1230 – 1400: Completion of Pre-Separation Counseling and TAP Overview
- 1400 – 1415: Break
- 1415 – 1530: Overview of local DoD programs
 - Project Victory
 - US Family Health Plan
 - Tricare
 - Troops to Teachers
- 1530: Participant Surveys

Day 2 (30 NOV): 0800 – 1500 (Federal, State and Local Benefits)

- 0800 – 0930: Overview of VA/DoD healthcare benefits and transition assistance programs
 - Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center (MEDVAMC) OEF/OIF Program
 - MEDVAMC Polytrauma Program
 - Vets Resource Center
- 0930 – 0945: Break
- 0945 – 1100: Overview of VA claims, benefits
 - Houston VA Regional Office OEF/OIF Program
 - Harris County Veterans Services Office
 - Disabled American Veterans (DAV)
- 1100 – 1230: Lunch program: Overview of mortgage lending with FHA-VA Loan Experts
- 1230 – 1400: Overview of VA and State of Texas home loan programs
 - VA Home Loan Program
 - Texas Veterans Land Board
- 1400 – 1415: Break
- 1415 – 1530: Overview of county and non-profit organization claims services
 - Wounded Warrior Project
 - AMVETS
 - Family Services of Greater Houston
- 1530: Participant Surveys

Day 3 (1 DEC): 0800 – 1500 (Education & Training)

- 0800 – 0930: Overview VA Post 9/11 GI Bill education benefits in public 4-year universities and involvement of student organizations
 - University of Houston Veterans Services Office
 - University of Houston-Downtown
 - University of Phoenix
 - Art Institute of Houston
 - ITT Technical Institute
- 0945 – 1100: Overview of VA VOCREHAB Programs
 - VA Vocational Rehabilitation Program
- 1100 – 1230: Lunch program: Overview of VA Post 9/11 GI Bill education benefits in private 4-year universities (food provided by University of St. Thomas)
- 1230 – 1400: Overview VA Post 9/11 GI Bill education benefits in public community colleges
 - Houston Community College System
 - Lone Star College System

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- San Jacinto Community College
- Walden University
- 1400 – 1415: Participant Surveys

Day 4 (2 DEC): 0800 – 1500 (Employment & Networking)

- 0800 – 0930: Resume writing, dress for success and job fair programs
 - Worklife Institute
 - Playsmint.com
 - RecruitMilitary.com
- 0930 – 0945: Break
- 0945 – 1100: Overview of State employment assistance and referral programs
 - Veterans Employment & Training Service (VETS), Department of Labor
 - Texas Veterans Leadership Program
 - Texas Veterans Commission
 - American GI Forum
 - Goodwill Industries-US VETS
 - Career and Recovery Resources
- 1100 – 1230: Lunch program by Career Advocates International (lunch provided by VFW District 4)
- 1230 – 1400: Local employment and unemployment programs for veterans
- 1400 – 1415: Break
- 1415 – 1530: Networking with industry recruiters and employment assistance programs
 - CenterPoint Energy
 - Continental Airlines
 - New England Financial
 - World Financial Group
 - PS Houston Staffing
 - Marine For Life
 - VFW District 4
 - American Legion
 - United Way 2-1-1
 - City of Houston Office of Veterans Affairs
 - Lone Star Veterans Association
- 1530: Participant Surveys

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