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Dear School Certifying Officials,

Education Service is preparing guidance for schools that have changes in training modalities and operation statuses due to COVID 19. However, Congress has introduced legislation that, if enacted, will alleviate the impact to GI Bill beneficiaries for a switch to pursuit solely through distance education. In order to avoid confusion and the need to make multiple changes to enrollments, VA is asking all schools to temporarily refrain from making any adjustments to enrollment certifications if training has changed due to COVID 19. VA will provide further guidance by Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>.

With this updated notice, we are rescinding all SCO FAQs that you may have received via email on the morning of 13 March 2020.

Respectfully,

Education Service

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