



TurboTAP: Connecting You to Your Benefits

Do you know what benefits you have earned through your military service? Some of these benefits have significant cash value and others will help you buy a home, get a college degree and advance in your military and civilian careers. They are all described in "user-friendly" tools, guides and checklists provided for you and your family inside the new DoD www.TurboTAP.org website.

Today's session will provide you with information about

- www.TurboTAP.org website and valuable online tools and resources
- Highlights of the most important benefits you have earned through your military service
- Key Referrals (online and in your community) for assistance in applying for your benefits
- A sample Individual Transition Plan (with Benefit Connection Timelines)
- Career & Financial Planning tips -- How to make the most of your benefits!!

Never heard of TurboTAP? Well, here are some key facts.

TurboTAP (www.TurboTAP.org) is an easy to use, interactive website that provides life-long support to separating military servicemembers (Active Duty, Guard and Reserve) and their families. It is a single source starting point for accessing the benefits earned through military service as well as key sources of follow-on assistance.

TurboTAP was developed through a collaborative partnership between the Department of Defense, Department of Labor, Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Education, Small Business Administration, the National Veterans Corporation and the National Guard Bureau. These organizations, as well as their state-level counterparts, have integrated their best online tools, information and support resources to make military transitions easier.

By establishing a Individual Transition Plan Account [MyDecisionPOINTS], transitioners can stay connected – for the rest of their lives -- to benefits information. They will always know when new benefits are established and old ones are changed.