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INFORMATION #2

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This document contains more information, which is of importance to you. Please also continue to refer to the web site for very important administrative and educational information, so that you **stay informed and meet important deadlines**.

VA CERTIFICATION

1. Veterans who wish to use their VA educational benefits for the first time should apply online at <http://www.gibill.va.gov> and complete a Form 22-1990, *Application for Educational Benefits*, to receive a Certificate of Eligibility.
2. If educational benefits have previously been used, complete a Form 22-1995, *Change of Program or Place of Training*, online at <http://www.gibill.va.gov> to receive a Certificate of Eligibility.
3. Submit the following items to the Office of the Registrar by **June 1st**:
 - Certificate of Eligibility
 - Certificate of Release of Discharge from Active Duty (DD-214)
 - Written statement addressed to the Veterans Administration requesting “Advanced Pay”
4. For additional assistance regarding VA educational benefits, please contact the Veteran Administration at 1-888-442-4551 or <http://www.gibill.va.gov>. The VA Representative (Alvin Ferrer, Assistant Registrar) at Baylor College of Medicine may be contacted at 713-798-3372 or mailto: Alvin.Ferrer@bcm.edu.

TRANSPORTATION/PARKING

Houston [METRO](#) provides transportation in and around the Texas Medical Center via bus and [METRO Rail](#). Pamphlets detailing routes will be available at Orientation.

MAJOR CONCERNS?

Financial Aid - Don't hesitate to call the **Office of Student Financial Aid (713-798-4603)** for information or answers to questions.

A place to live - If you allow yourself a few days to look, you will find the right place for the right price. See [Housing Information](#). No guarantee is made as to the validity of this information. It is provided as a starting point only.

IMMUNIZATION/HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Must be received by the OHP office no later than **May 22!!!**

ORIENTATION

Remember: You **must** be at Baylor on **Friday, July 24 at 8:30 a.m.** **ALL ORIENTATION ACTIVITIES ARE MANDATORY.**

We look forward to having you as part of our School of Medicine.