Hello There.

Today I will be reviewing updates that have been made to the "Estimate Your Benefits" section of the Institution Profile page within the Comparison Tool. These changes have been made to address mobile, usability, and 508 concerns.

To begin, I will be showing the changes that have been made to the VETTEC profile pages. You will notice is that the first section of the page is now "Estimate Your Benefits".

Within this section, there are 3 changes:

1. There is new instructional text: "Use the fields below to update your benefits."

2. The first question of the section is new: "Choose the training program you'd like to attend". Note, the number of programs available at the institution will impact the way that this question is displayed. For institutions that have more than 5 programs the list is displayed as a drop-down list, otherwise the programs will be displayed as radio buttons.

3. There is an update benefits button. This button is disabled until the user changes an answer value, at which point it is enabled and it can be used to update the benefits panel on the right side of the screen. To show that I will change the program name. You’ll notice that the button is enabled, then I will click that and it has updated the Your Estimated Benefits panel.

Continuing down the page, the next section you will find is the "Approved programs" section. This has been moved from the top because it is now solely for information purposes and no longer requires user interaction. Additionally, the table has been updated with paging, when necessary, to gracefully display a large number of programs.

Next, I will show you some updates to the Employer profile page.

In the "Estimate Your Benefits" section here, there are a number of new changes:

1. As before, there is now instructional text for the user.

2. The questions have been grouped into mini-accordions. This allows for the estimator panel to the right to stay in view as the user answers the questions.

3. Questions that are dependent upon one another are grouped together and indicated by a blue bar to the left of the questions.

4. Each section has an "Update benefits" button that has the same behavior as seen on the VET TEC profile page; remaining disabled until the user answers or changes the answer to one of the section questions.

Next, I will show you some updates to the Schools profile page. The main difference between the school profile page and the employer profile page being that the school has 4 mini-accordions whereas the employer had 3.

Just to recap, the changes seen in the "Estimate Your Benefits" section on the school profile page:

1. As before, there is now instructional text for the user.

2. The questions have been grouped into mini-accordions which allows for the estimator panel to the right to stay in view as the user answers the questions.

3. Questions that are dependent upon one another are grouped together and indicated by a blue bar to the left of the questions.

4. Each section has an "Update benefits" button that has the same behavior as seen on the VET TEC profile page; remaining disabled until the user answers or changes the answer to one of the questions.

Finally, we will take a quick look at the school profile page on mobile. All of the changes mentioned previously are still applicable. We've just made sure that everything is displayed nicely. Scrolling down, the mini-accordions are stacked with the estimated benefits panel being below them.

That wraps up the changes to the "Estimate Your Benefits" section of the Institution Profile page within the Comparison Tool.

Thank you for your time and have a good day.