



Department of Veterans Affairs

Senior Executive Biography

Margarita Devlin, MA, CRC

Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits Veterans Benefits Administration

Margarita Devlin is the Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits at the Department of Veterans Affairs. In this role, she leads approximately 34,000 Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) employees who deliver a full array of non-medical benefits to Service members, Veterans, their families, and survivors. VBA provides Disability Compensation, Pension and Fiduciary, Home Loan Guaranty, Life Insurance, Education benefits, Outreach, Transition and Economic Development, and Veteran Readiness and Employment. Through a nationwide network of 56 regional offices, special processing centers, and VBA headquarters, she oversees the administration of these programs for more than six million beneficiaries receiving more than \$194 billion in direct benefits each year.



Before assuming her current duties, Ms. Devlin was the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations and Management at the U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS). There, she administered programs to advance employment opportunities, protect workplace rights, and provide transition assistance for hundreds of thousands of Veterans, service members, and military spouses annually.

CAREER CHRONOLOGY:

2025 – Present	Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits, Washington, DC
2021 – 2025	Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of Labor Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Washington, DC
2021 – 2021	Chief Learning Officer, Veterans Health Administration, Washington, DC
2018 – 2021	Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits, Washington, DC
2017 – 2018	Executive Director, Benefits Assistance Service, Washington, DC
2015 – 2017	Executive Director, Community Engagement, Washington, DC

EDUCATION:

1995 Masters of Arts, Rehabilitation Counselling, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
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