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Purpose: To establish Bureau policy in the division of responsibility between the National Office and the Regional Offices in the promotion, development, review, registration of programs of apprenticeship and apprentices with appropriate BAT/SAC Registration/Approval Agencies, issuance of Certificates of Registration/Completion of Apprenticeship, Account servicing and the reporting of apprentice actions.

Background: Circular 68.1 dated July 13, 1967, issued to all Bureau personnel, decentralized the Standards Review and Registration function from the National Office to the BAT Regional offices, with the exception of certain categories of programs. Since 1968 numerous policy issuances in the form of Circulars and Administrative Memoranda have been directed to the BAT Regional Directors, assigning specific national program and apprentice servicing functions formerly provided by the National Office staff to the BAT regional staffs thereby rendering Circular 68-1 obsolete.

Action: BAT Regional Directors are responsible for the review (conforming to the criteria of Title 29 CFR Part 29) and registration with the appropriate Registration/Approval Agency (i.e., BAT/SAC) of all standards of apprenticeship and apprentices, developed by their respective ATR staff.

Issue Certificates of Registration, Certificates of Completion and provide all necessary services to program sponsors with the exception of the following:

1. National industry standards (guidelines) jointly established by national labor and management organizations.
2. National industry standards (guidelines) established unilaterally by either a national labor organization or employer association to be used as a guide by local affiliate members to develop and register local programs of apprenticeship and apprentices, either jointly or unilaterally.

3. Multi-plant company standards to operate in two or more states in two or more Regions.
4. Multi-state trade standards to operate in two or more states in two or more Regions.
5. National standards for Interstate Transportation industries (airlines, railroads, trucking).
6. National standards for Federal agencies (Departments of the Air Force, Army, Navy, Justice (Bureau of Prisons), etc.)
7. National standards for quasi-government organizations (Amtrak, Conrail, etc.).
8. Final determination of occupation apprenticeability is the exclusive authority of the Administrator, BAT. All requests for occupation apprenticeability consideration must be submitted to the National Office for review and necessary action.

Standards of Apprenticeship developed for registration/approval by Regional ATR staff in categories 1 through 7 listed above are to be submitted to the National Office through their respective Regional Director for review and registration/approval action.

Registered national standards of apprenticeship and apprentices transferred to the BAT Regional Directors will be accomplished through the issuance of a "Circular" (policy) describing in detail, the division of National Office/regional staff responsibilities.

This Circular is effective immediately.

Circular 68-1 dated July 13, 1967, Code 450, Decentralization of Review and Registration, is hereby cancelled.