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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Technical and licensing information on the invention may be obtained by writing to: Mindy L. Aisen, M.D., Department of Veterans Affairs, Acting Director Technology Transfer Program, Office of Research and Development, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420; fax: 202-254-0255; e-mail: [mindy.aisen@mail.va.gov](mailto:mindy.aisen@mail.va.gov). Any request for information should include the Number and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below. Issued patents may be obtained from the Commissioner of Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The invention available for licensing is: U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/574,756 "Production of Urokinase in a Three-Dimensional Cell Culture."

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The invention available for licensing is: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/867,951 "A Novel Specific Inhibitor of the Cyclin Kinase Inhibitor p21<sup>UWaf1/Cip1</sup> and Methods of Using the Inhibitor."

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The invention available for licensing is: U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/580,382 "Computer Program to Quantify Pharyngeal Residue and Swallowing".

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fax: (202) 254-0260; e-mail: [bob.potts@hq.med.va.gov](mailto:bob.potts@hq.med.va.gov). Any request for information should include the Number and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below. Issued patents may be obtained from the Commissioner of Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The invention available for licensing is: U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/591,207 "Securing Implantable Neuromuscular Electrodes with Mesh".

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*Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Poverty Threshold

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) hereby gives notice of the weighted average poverty threshold established for 2003 for one person (unrelated individual) as established by the Bureau of the Census. The amount is \$9,393.

**DATES:** For VA determinations, the 2003 poverty threshold is effective August 26, 2004, the date on which it was established by the Bureau of the Census.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Trowbridge, Consultant, Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-7218.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We published a final rule amending 38 CFR 4.16(a) in the **Federal Register** of August 3, 1990, 55 FR 31,579. The amendment provided that marginal employment generally shall be deemed to exist when a veteran's earned annual income does not exceed the amount established by

the Bureau of the Census as the poverty threshold for one person. The provisions of 38 CFR 4.16(a) use the poverty threshold as a standard in defining marginal employment when considering total disability ratings for compensation based on unemployability of an individual. We stated we would publish subsequent poverty threshold figures as notices in the **Federal Register**.

The Bureau of the Census recently published the weighted average poverty thresholds for 2003. The threshold for one person (unrelated individual) is \$9,393.

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