

(2) the accuracy of VHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Applications & Appraisals for Employment for Title 38 Positions and Trainees.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0205.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Forms 10-2850-2850a through c are applications used to elicit information from candidate's qualifications for employment with VA. VA uses the data collected to conduct background, training and education as well as previously held licenses/registrations to meet security and screening requirements. VA Forms 10-2850b and 10-285d are used to collect information on medical residents, health professions trainees and students training appointment. Program directors of affiliated programs complete VA Form Letter 10-341b to confirm that the information listed has been verified by the sponsoring entity for the trainee listed and that the trainee is enrolled in the designated training program. VA uses the information collected to evaluate qualification for employment and training as well as education and professional experience in determining suitability, grade level and clinical privileges.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households, Business or Other For-Profit, Not-For-Profit Institutions, Federal Government, and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden: 123,894 hours.

a. Application for Physicians, Dentists, Podiatrists and Optometrists, Chiropractors, VA Form 10-2850—7,450 hours.

b. Application for Nurses and Nurse Anesthetists, VA Form 10-2850a—29,799 hours.

c. Application for Residents, VA Form 10-2850b—15,893 hours.

d. Application for Associated Health Occupations, VA Form 10-2850c—9,933 hours.

e. Application for Medical, Dental and Associated Health Students, Trainees and Intern VA Form 10-2850d—28,143 hours.

f. Appraisal of Applicant VA Form FL 10-341a—25,410 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

a. Application for Physicians, Dentists, Podiatrists and Optometrists, Chiropractors VA Form 10-2850—30 minutes.

b. Application for Nurses and Nurse Anesthetists VA Form 10-2850a—30 minutes.

c. Application for Residents VA Form 10-2850b—30 minutes.

d. Application for Associated Health Occupations VA Form 10-2850c—30 minutes.

e. Application for Medical, Dental and Associated Health Students, Trainees and Intern VA Form 10-2850d—30 minutes.

f. Appraisal of Applicant VA Form FL 10-341a—30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 320,466.

a. Application for Physicians, Dentists, Podiatrists and Optometrists, Chiropractors VA Form 10-2850—14,900.

b. Application for Nurses and Nurse Anesthetists VA Form 10-2850a—59,598.

c. Application for Residents VA Form 10-2850b—31,786.

d. Application for Associated Health Occupations VA Form 10-2850c—19-866.

e. Application for Medical, Dental and Associated Health Students, Trainees and Intern VA Form 10-2850d—56,286.

f. Appraisal of Applicant—VA Form FL 10-341a—50,820.

Dated: December 8, 2005.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0198]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register**

concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to determine a veteran's who uses prosthetic or orthopedic device (including a wheelchair) or is prescribe medication due to a skin condition because of a service connected disability may be eligibility for clothing allowance.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before February 21, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Ann Bickoff, Veterans Health Administration (193E1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail ann.bickoff@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0198" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Bickoff at (202) 273-8310.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title and Form Number: Application for Annual Clothing Allowance (Under 38 U.S.C. 1162).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0198.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 10-8678 is used to gather the necessary information to determine if a veteran is eligible for clothing allowance benefits. Clothing allowance is payable if the veteran uses a prosthetic or orthopedic device

(including a wheelchair) that tends to wear out or tear clothing or is prescribe medication for skin condition that causes irreparable damage to outer garments.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 1,120 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,720.

Dated: December 12, 2005.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-New (VERS)]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of Policy, Planning and Preparedness, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Office of Policy, Planning and Preparedness (OPP&P), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 19, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 565-8374 or FAX (202) 565-6950. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-New (VERS)". Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235,

Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-New (VERS)" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Veterans Employability Survey (VERS).

OMB Control Number: None assigned.

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: The purpose of the study is to obtain information on veterans who discontinued or interrupted their Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Program. VA will use the data to determine the factors impacting the veteran's discontinuation of the program, effect on employability and types of interventions that might enable veterans to stay in the program and to compare this VR&E Program population with veterans who successfully complete the program and with the general veteran population.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on September 27, 2005, at page 56527.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Time Per Respondent and Annual Burden: 1,667 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 20 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One-time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,000.

Dated: December 12, 2005.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-New (0711)]

Agency Information Collection: Emergency Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Human Resources Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice

announces that the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following emergency proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507(j)(1)). VA is requesting an emergency clearance for Request for One-VA Identification Card.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 3, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 565-8374, FAX (202) 565-6950 or e-mail: denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-New (0711)". Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316 or FAX (202) 395-6974. Please refer to "2900-New (0711)".

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Request for One-VA Identification Card, VA form 0711.

OMB Control Number: 2900-New (0711).

Type of Review: New Collection.

Abstract: VA Form 0711 will collect pertinent information from employees, VA applicants seeking employment with VA, contractors, affiliates (such as students, WOC employees and others) prior to issuing a Department identification credential. The data collected will be used to personalize, print, and issue a personal identify verification card.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 8,333 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 5 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 950.

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By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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