

the presence of bacteria in the intestines and whether eradication of these bacteria reduces symptoms of chronic diarrhea.

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 October 22, 2012 at pages 64597–64598.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden:

a. VA Research Consent Form (Cases), VA Form 10–2109a—41 hours.

b. VA Research Consent Form (Control), VA Form 10–2109b—31 hours.

c. Survey of Chronic Gastrointestinal Illness in Persian Gulf Veterans, VA Form 10–21092c—3,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:

a. VA Research Consent Form (Cases), VA Form 10–2109a—15 minutes.

b. VA Research Consent Form (Control), VA Form 10–2109b—10 minutes.

c. Survey of Chronic Gastrointestinal Illness in Persian Gulf Veterans, VA Form 10–21092c—45 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

a. Survey of Chronic Gastrointestinal Illness in Persian Gulf Veterans, VA Form 10–21092a—4,000.

b. VA Research Consent Form (Cases), VA Form 10–21092b—165.

c. VA Research Consent Form (Control), VA Form 10–21092c—189.

Dated: January 23, 2013.

By direction of the Secretary.

William F. Russo,

Deputy Director, Office of Regulations Policy and Management, Office of General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0358]

Agency Information Collection (Supplemental Information for Change of Program or Reenrollment After Unsatisfactory Attendance, Conduct or Progress) Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–21), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit 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 March 1, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov; or 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. 2900–0358” in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632–7492, fax (202) 632–7583 or email crystal.rennie@mail.va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0358.”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Supplemental Information for Change of Program or Reenrollment After Unsatisfactory Attendance, Conduct or Progress, VA Form 22–8873.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0358.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Veterans and other eligible persons may change their program of education under conditions prescribed by Title 38 U.S.C. 3691. A claimant can normally make one change of program without VA approval. VA approval is required if the claimant makes any additional change of program. Before VA can approve benefits for a second or subsequent change of program, VA must first determine that the new program is suitable to the claimant's aptitudes, interests, and abilities, or that the cause of any unsatisfactory progress or conduct has been resolved before entering into a different program. VA Form 22–8873 is used to gather the necessary information only if the suitability of the proposed training program cannot be established from information already available in the claimant's VA education records or the results of academic or vocational counseling are not available to VA.

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control number. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on October 19, 2012 at pages 64384–64385.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 17,706 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 35,411.

Dated: January 24, 2012.

By direction of the Secretary.

William F. Russo,

Deputy Director, Office of Regulations Policy and Management, Office of General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 38 U.S.C. App. 2, that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans will be held on February 13–15, 2013. On February 13, the Committee will meet in Room 530 at the Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. On February 14–15, the Committee will meet at 1722 Eye Street NW., Washington DC, from 8 a.m. on both days until 4 p.m. on February 15 and noon on February 16. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with an on-going assessment of the effectiveness of the policies, organizational structures, and services of the Department in assisting homeless Veterans. The Committee shall assemble and review information relating to the needs of homeless Veterans and provide on-going advice on the most appropriate means of providing assistance to homeless Veterans. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

On February 13, the agenda will include briefings from VA and other officials regarding services for homeless Veterans. The Committee will also receive briefings on the annual report.

On February 14, the Committee will continue to receive briefings from VA and other officials regarding services for homeless Veterans. The Committee then

will discuss items for its upcoming annual report and recommendations to the Secretary.

On February 15 the Committee will begin drafting items and recommendations for its upcoming annual report to the Secretary.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Interested parties should provide written comments on issues affecting homeless Veterans for review by the Committee to Mr. Pete Dougherty, Designated Federal Officer, Homeless Veterans Initiative Office (075D), Department of Veterans Affairs, 1722 Eye Street NW., Washington, DC 20006, or email to pete.dougherty@va.gov. Individuals who wish to attend the meeting should contact Mr. Dougherty at (202) 461-1857.

Dated: January 24, 2013.

By Direction of the Secretary.

Vivian Drake,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, that a meeting of the Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee will be held on April 10-11, 2013, in Room 530 at the Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC. On April 10, the session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. On April 11, the session will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 12 noon. This meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Under Secretary for Health on all matters pertaining to geriatrics and gerontology. The Committee assesses the capability of VA health care facilities and programs to meet the medical, psychological, and social needs of older Veterans and evaluates VA programs designated as Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Centers.

The meeting will feature presentations and discussions on VA's geriatrics and extended care programs,

aging research activities, updates on VA's employee staff working in the area of geriatrics (to include training, recruitment and retention approaches), Veterans Health Administration (VHA) strategic planning activities in geriatrics and extended care, recent VHA efforts regarding dementia and program advances in palliative care, and performance and oversight of VA Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Centers.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Interested parties should provide written comments for review by the Committee to Mrs. Marcia Holt-Delaney, Program Analyst, Geriatrics and Extended Care Services (10P4G), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, or via email at Marcia.Holt-Delaney@va.gov. Individuals who wish to attend the meeting should contact Mrs. Holt-Delaney at (202) 461-6769.

Dated: January 24, 2013.

By Direction of the Secretary.

Vivian Drake,

Committee Management Officer.

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