

Subcommittee	Date	Location
Special Emphasis on Genomics	June 4, 2015	Westin Crystal City.
Gulf War Research	June 4, 2015	*VA Central Office.
Clinical Trials-B	June 5, 2015	*VA Central Office.
Neurobiology-E	June 5, 2015	Hampton Inn.
Oncology-A	June 5, 2015	*VA Central Office (10:00 a.m. ET).
Clinical Trials-A	June 9, 2015	Hampton Inn.
Gastroenterology	June 9, 2015	Westin Crystal City.
Neurobiology-B	June 9, 2015	Westin Crystal City.
Immunology-A	June 10, 2015	American Association of Airport Executives.
Special Emphasis on Million Veteran Program Projects	June 10, 2015	Hampton Inn.
Cardiovascular Studies-B	June 11, 2015	Crowne Plaza Old Town Alexandria.
Hematology	June 11, 2015	*VA Central Office.
JBL/CS SMRB	June 16, 2015	*VA Central Office (3:00 p.m. ET).
Eligibility	July 20, 2015	Hampton Inn.

The addresses of the meeting sites are:

American Association of Airport Executives, 601 Madison Street, 3rd Floor, Alexandria, VA.

Crowne Plaza Old Town Alexandria, 901 N. Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA.

Hampton Inn, 1729 H Street NW., Washington, DC.

US Access Board, 1331 F Street NW., Suite 800, Washington, DC.

Westin Crystal City, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

VA Central Office, 1100 First Street NE., 6th Floor, Washington, DC.

*Teleconference.

The purpose of the subcommittees is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include numerous medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.

The subcommittee meetings will be closed to the public for the review, discussion, and evaluation of initial and renewal research proposals. However, the JBL/CS SMRB teleconference meeting will be open to the public. Members of the public who wish to attend the open JBL/CS SMRB teleconference may dial 1-800-767-1750, participant code 95562. Members of the public who wish to make a statement at the JBL/CS SMRB meeting must notify Dr. Alex Chiu via email at alex.chiu@va.gov by June 9, 2015.

The closed subcommittee meetings involve discussion, examination, and reference to staff and consultant critiques of research proposals. Discussions will deal with scientific merit of each proposal and qualifications of personnel conducting the studies, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Additionally, premature disclosure of research information could significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action regarding the research proposals. As provided by subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Public Law 94-409, closing the subcommittee meetings is in accordance with Title 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B).

Those who would like to obtain a copy of the minutes from the closed subcommittee meetings and rosters of the subcommittee members should contact Alex Chiu, Ph.D., Manager, Merit Review Program (10P9B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, at (202) 443-5672 or email at alex.chiu@va.gov.

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Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans will be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, May 6-8, 2015. The meeting on Wednesday and Friday will be conducted at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, in Room 630. The agenda for these two days will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. The meeting on both days is open to the public.

The meeting on Thursday will be conducted at two VA Vet Centers located in Silver Spring and Baltimore, MD. The latter meetings will include

interviews with Veteran consumers and will be closed to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to review the post-war readjustment needs of combat Veterans and to evaluate the availability and effectiveness of VA programs to meet Veterans' needs.

On May 6, the Committee will be briefed on current directions and priorities for serving the Nation's war Veterans. The Committee will also be briefed by the Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Health on new directions of care in Veterans Health Administration (VHA) and the coordination of VA healthcare with readjustment counseling.

The May 6 agenda will also include briefings on the current activities of the Readjustment Counseling Service (RCS) Vet Center program to include the full scope of outreach and readjustment counseling services provided to combat Veterans and families. The briefing will focus on the coordination of Vet Center services with VHA health care, mental health, and social work services. The Committee will also receive briefings from VHA mental health program officials focusing on the key role of mental health services for the psychological, social, and economic readjustment of combat Veterans.

On May 7, Committee members will conduct onsite visits at two Vet Centers to meet with groups of Veteran consumers and with VHA service providers from the Vet Centers and the support VA medical facilities.

On May 8 the Committee will receive briefings from additional VHA program officials representing key programs of specific value for the post-war readjustment of Veterans and family

members. The agenda for May 8 will conclude with a Committee strategic planning session for developing the observations and conclusions for the annual Committee Report.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. However, members of the public may direct written questions or submit prepared statements for

review by the Committee before the meeting to Mr. Charles M. Flora, M.S.W., Designated Federal Officer, Readjustment Counseling Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420. Because the meeting will be in a Government building, please provide valid photo identification for check-in. Please allow 15 minutes before the

meeting for the check-in process. If you plan to attend or have questions concerning the meeting, please contact Mr. Flora at (202) 461-6525 or by email at charles.flora@va.gov.

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