

its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 16, 2012.

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. 2900-0353" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632-7479, FAX (202) 273-0487 or email denise.mclamb@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0353."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Certification of Lessons Completed, VA Forms 22-6553b and 22-6553b-1.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0353.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Students enrolled in a correspondence school complete VA Forms 22-6553b and 22-6553b-1 to report the number of correspondence course lessons completed and forward the forms to the correspondence school for certification. School official certifies the number of lessons serviced and submits the forms to VA for processing. Benefits are payable based on the data provided on the form. Benefits are not payable when students interrupt, discontinue, or complete the training. VA uses the data collected to determine the amount of benefit is payable.

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 November 1, 2011, at pages 67560-67561.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, and Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 411 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per

Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 821.

Number of Responses Annually: 2,463.

Dated: January 11, 2012.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Enterprise Records Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses will meet on January 31 and February 1, 2012. The meeting will be held in room 1143 of the Lafayette Building, 811 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The meeting will start at 8 a.m. each day and will adjourn at 5 p.m. on January 31 and at 12:30 p.m. on February 1. All sessions will be open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice and make recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on proposed research studies, research plans and research strategies relating to the health consequences of military service in the

Southwest Asia theater of operations during the Gulf War.

The Committee will review VA program activities related to Gulf War Veterans' illnesses and updates on relevant scientific research published since the last Committee meeting. The session on January 31 will be devoted to discussion of the Gulf War Research Strategic Plan being prepared in VA's Office of Research and Development followed by an update of VA Gulf War research funding. The research presentations on February 1 will involve background information on Gulf War Veterans' illnesses, nervous system function, its relation to ill Gulf War Veterans, and possible laboratory markers for Gulf War Veterans' illnesses. The session will also include discussion of Committee business and activities.

The meeting will include time reserved for public comments each day. A sign-up sheet for five-minute comments will be available at the meeting. Individuals who speak are invited to submit a 1-2 page summary of their comments at the time of the meeting for inclusion in the official meeting record. Members of the public may also submit written statements for the Committee's review to Dr. Roberta White at rwhite@bu.edu.

Any member of the public seeking additional information should contact Dr. Roberta White, Scientific Director, at (617) 638-4620 or Dr. Victor Kalasinsky, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 443-5682, or email at victor.kalasinsky@va.gov.

Dated: January 11, 2012.

By direction of the Secretary.

Vivian Drake,

Committee Management Officer.

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