

Hawaiian organizations, and Native American Veterans. The Committee serves in an advisory capacity, making recommendations to the Secretary on ways the Department can improve the programs and services of the Department to better serve Native American Veterans.

Membership Criteria: OTGR is requesting nominations for the current and/or upcoming vacancies on the Committee. The Committee is composed of 15 voting members. As required by statute, the members of the Committee are appointed by the Secretary from the general public, including:

(1) At least one member of each of the 12 IHS service areas is represented in the membership of the Committee nominated by Indian tribes or tribal organization.

(2) At least one member of the Committee represents the Native Hawaiian Veteran community nominated by a Native Hawaiian Organization.

(3) At least one member of the Committee represents urban Indian organizations nominated by a national urban Indian organization.

(4) Not fewer than half of the members are Veterans, unless the Secretary determines that an insufficient number of qualified Veterans were nominated.

(5) No member of the Committee may be an employee of the Federal Government.

In accordance with Public Law 116–315, the Secretary determines the number and terms of service for members of the Committee, which are appointed by the Secretary, except that a term of service of any such member may not exceed a term of two years.

Additionally, a member may be reappointed for one additional term at the Secretary's discretion.

Professional Qualifications: In addition to the criteria above, VA seeks—

(1) Professional and personal qualifications relevant to the functions and tasks to be performed by the committee;

(2) Experience in military service and military deployments (please identify your Branch of Service and Rank);

(3) Current work with Veterans;

(4) Committee subject matter expertise; and

(5) Experience working in large and complex organizations.

Requirements for Nomination Submission: Nominations should be typewritten (one nomination per nominator). Nomination package should include: (1) a letter of nomination by an Indian tribe or tribal organization that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (*i.e.* specific attributes which qualify the nominee for service in this capacity), and a statement from the nominee indicating a willingness to serve as a member of the Committee; (2) the nominee's contact information, including name, mailing address, telephone number(s), and email address; (3) the nominee's curriculum vitae or resume, *not to exceed five pages* and (4) a summary of the nominee's experience and qualification relative to the *professional qualifications* criteria listed above.

The individual selected for appointment to the Committee shall be invited to serve a two-year term. All members will receive travel expenses and a per diem allowance in accordance

with the Federal Travel Regulations for any travel made in connection with their duties as members of the Committee.

The Department strives to fairly balance committee membership through consideration of points of view represented and functions to be performed by the advisory committee, consistent with section 1004(b)(2), title 5, U.S.C., and the FACA Final Rule, section 102–3.60, title 41, CFR. Nominations must state that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of the Committee and appears to have no conflict of interest that would preclude membership. An ethics review is conducted for each selected nominee.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs, Amended Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Ch. 10., that the Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs will meet on September 3, 4, and 5, 2025 at the U.S. Army Museum of Hawaii, Museum Classroom, 2131 Kalia Rd, Honolulu, HI 96815. The meeting sessions will begin, and end as follows:

Dates	Times
September 3, 2025, Wednesday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Hawaii Standard Time (HST).
September 4, 2025, Thursday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. HST.
September 5, 2025, Friday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. HST.

The meeting sessions will be open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary on all matters relating to Indian tribes, tribal organizations, Native Hawaiian organizations, and Native American Veterans.

On September 3, 2025, the agenda will include opening remarks from the Committee Chair, VA senior leadership, presentations from the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), VA Office of Tribal Government Relations, VA VISN 21, VA Office of Health Equity, Native Hawaiian Foundations of

Understanding, Office of Hawaiian Veteran Affairs, Native Hawaiian Health—Papa Ola Lokahi, Native Hawaiian Traditional Health, and a Panel Discussion: Government programs and Policy—Native Hawaiians.

On September 4, 2025, the agenda will include updates from the VA National Cemetery Administration (NCA), VA Readjustment Counseling Services—Vet Center Program, VHA Suicide Prevention/Behavioral Health, VHA Homelessness, VBA Native American Direct Loan Program, Indian Health Service—Substance Abuse

contract, and site visit: Waianae Health Center.

On September 5, 2025, the agenda will include a public comment period, committee recommendations packet session, site visits to the Punchbowl National Cemetery, Fishpond, and the USS Arizona. The public comment period will start at 9:05 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. HST. The comment period may end sooner, if there are no comments presented or they are exhausted before the end time. The meeting will be adjourned after closing comments.

The meetings are open to the public to attend in person and will be

recorded. Individuals who wish to speak during the public comment session are invited to submit a 1–2-page summary of their comments no later than August 15, 2025, for inclusion in the official meeting record. Members of the public may also submit written statements for the Committee’s review to Veronica Duncan, at *Veronica.Duncan@va.gov*. Any member of the public seeking additional

information should contact Veronica Duncan at the email address above or by calling 202–905–7294.

To join virtually on Microsoft Teams: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZDBjZmQzYTktYTQ4MC00Y2I2LTg3NTUtMTE5ZjNkNzgyZDdh%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22e95f1b23-abaf-45ee-821d-

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