

home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/small-business-programs/state-small-business-credit-initiative-ssbci/archives/archived-program-rules) to enable the use of SSBCI to expand access to capital for small businesses in the current economic environment? Responses should take into consideration the statutory requirements for CAPs and OCSPs in the Small Business Jobs Act and ARPA, and provide feedback consistent with those constraints.

a. Is guidance specific to Tribal governments needed? If so, what specific issues should this guidance address?

2. What changes should Treasury make to the policy guidelines last updated in 2014 (available here: *https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/small-business-programs/state-small-business-credit-initiative-ssbci/archives/archived-program-rules*) to enable use of SSBCI to promote access to capital for diverse businesses, including SEDI businesses and Very Small Businesses? Please provide specific examples.

a. What data should Treasury use in its allocation calculation based on the needs of SEDI businesses in States, Territories, and Tribal governments? Please provide specific examples.

b. What guidance should Treasury provide regarding identifying and serving SEDI businesses? Please provide specific examples.

c. How can Treasury ensure effective use of allocations to States, Territories, and Tribal governments to support Very Small Businesses, including non-employer businesses? Please provide specific examples.

3. How should Treasury ensure effective use of the TA allocation to support SEDI businesses' and Very Small Businesses' access SSBCI capital or other capital? Please provide specific examples.

a. How should Treasury encourage States, Territories, and Tribal governments to prioritize contracts to SEDI businesses to provide TA?

b. How and to what extent should Treasury work with MBDA to provide TA to SEDI businesses? Please provide specific examples.

c. For what purposes should Treasury directly contract with legal, accounting, and financial advisory firms to provide TA to SEDI businesses? Please provide specific examples.

4. What data should Treasury require from States, Territories, and Tribal governments in regular reporting on their performance and activities that would ensure compliance and provide meaningful information on results to inform the public, policymakers, and others?

5. Do you have any other comments on the implementation of SSBCI to improve outcomes in general, and particularly to serve underserved communities and groups and SEDI businesses?

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Jeffrey Stout,

Director, Office of Federal Program Finance.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee appointment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Office of Geriatrics and Extended Care, is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as a member of the Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee (herein-after in this section referred to as "the Committee"). The Committee advises the VA Secretary and the Under Secretary for Health on all matters pertaining to geriatrics and gerontology.

DATES: Nominations of qualified candidates are being sought to fill vacancies on the Committee. Nominations for membership on the Committee must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on June 30, 2021.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be emailed to Marianne Shaughnessy, Ph.D., CRNP, to *Marianne.Shaughnessy@va.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marianne Shaughnessy, Ph.D., CRNP, GGAC, by phone at (202) 407-6798 or by email at *Marianne.Shaughnessy@va.gov*. A copy of the Committee charter and list of the current membership can also be obtained by contacting Dr. Shaughnessy.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee's areas of interest include but are not limited to: (1) Assessing the capability of VA health care facilities to respond with the most effective and appropriate services possible to the medical, psychological and social needs of Veterans facing the consequences of aging, serious illness or disability; and (2) advancing scientific knowledge to meet those needs by enhancing geriatric care for older Veterans through geriatric

and gerontology research, the training of health personnel in the provision of health care to older individuals, and the development of improved models of clinical services for older Veterans.

Membership Criteria and

Qualifications: The Committee is comprised of 12 members in addition to ex officio members, each of whom have established interest and considerable vocation-related experiences bearing on health care for aging Veterans, including experience in areas such as: VA- and non-VA health systems, academic geriatric and gerontology programs, palliative medicine, home and community-based care, nursing home care, relevant policy issues, and grant-funded academic research.

The expertise required of GGAC members includes, but is not limited to, the following:

a. Familiarity or experience with clinical and health policies concerning the elderly; and/or

b. familiarity or experience with the partnerships between VA and health sciences academic programs; and/or

c. familiarity with the history of geriatrics in the VA and in the U.S., and the unique role that has been played in that evolution by the VA's Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Centers (GRECCs).

Membership Requirements: The Committee holds at least one face to face meeting in Washington, DC and conducts 4-5 site visits a year. The ideal candidate will be willing to travel 3-5 times per year to help the Committee fulfill its Chartered objectives.

The Committee's diverse membership is characterized by a range of backgrounds and knowledge sufficiently broad to provide adequate advice and guidance to the Secretary. VA strives to develop a Committee membership that includes diversity in military services, ranks, and deployments, military service, military deployments, working with Veterans, committee subject matter expertise, as well as diversity in race/ethnicity, gender, religion, disability, geographical background, and profession. We ask that nominations include information of this type so that VA can ensure diverse Committee membership.

Requirements for Nomination

Submission: Nominations should be typed (one nomination per nominator). Self-nominations are acceptable.

Nomination package should include:

(1) A letter of nomination 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 the willingness to serve as a member of the Committee;

(2) The nominee's contact information, including name, mailing address, telephone numbers, and email address;

(3) The nominee's curriculum vitae; and

(4) letters of recommendation are accepted, but not required; and

(5) a statement confirming that he/she is not a federally-registered lobbyist.

Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee shall be invited to serve a four-year term. Committee members will receive a stipend for attending Committee meetings, including per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses incurred.

The Department makes every effort to ensure that the membership of VA federal advisory committees is diverse in terms of points of view represented and the committee's capabilities. Appointments to this Committee shall be made without discrimination because of a person's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information. 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.

Dated: May 17, 2021.

Jelessa M. Burney,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

Reestablishment: Veterans' Family, Caregiver and Survivor Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: We are giving notice that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs intends to reestablish the Veterans' Family, Caregiver and Survivor Advisory Committee for a 2-year period. The Secretary has determined that the Committee is necessary and in the public interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jeffrey Moragne, Committee Management Office, Department of Veterans Affairs, Advisory Committee Management Office (00AC), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420; telephone (202) 266-4660; or email at Jeffrey.Moragne@va.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee ACT, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs intends to

reestablish the Veterans' Family, Caregiver and Survivor Advisory Committee for 2 years from the filing date of the charter's reestablishment.

The Committee advises the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, through the Chief Veterans Experience Officer, Veterans Experience Office in support of the application of VA's customer experience principles to Veterans and their families, caregivers and survivors. The advice will be related to Veterans' families, caregivers, and survivors across all generations, relationships and Veteran status; the use, and where necessary possible expansion, of VA care, benefits, and memorial services by Veterans' families, caregivers and survivors; policies, regulations and administrative requirements related to the transition of Servicemembers from the Department of Defense (DoD) to enrollment in VA and the access to and use of all federal, state and local services that impact Veterans' families, caregivers and survivors; and factors that influence access to, quality of, and accountability for care, benefits and memorial services for Veterans' families, caregivers and survivors.

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Jelessa M. Burney,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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