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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
AFFAIRS**

**Advisory Committee on CARES
Business Plan Studies; Notice of
Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs
(VA) gives notice under the Public Law

92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee
Act) that the Advisory Committee on
CARES Business Plan Studies will meet
as indicated below. The meetings are
open to the public.

Location	Date	Time
The Shaw's Center, 1 Lexington Avenue, Brockton, MA 02301	September 18, 2006	10 a.m. until 5:15 p.m.
VA Medical Center, 2250 Leestown Road Division, Auditorium, Building 1, Lexington, KY 40511.	September 20, 2006	1 p.m. until 5 p.m.
VA Medical Center, Walla Walla Theatre, 77 Wainwright Drive, Building 74, Walla Walla, WA.	September 25, 2006	9 a.m. until 12 noon.

The purpose of the Committee is to
provide advice to the Secretary of
Veterans Affairs on proposed business
plans at those VA facility sites
identified in May 2004 as requiring
further study by the Capital Asset
Realignment for Enhanced Services
(CARES) Decision document.

The objectives of the meetings in
Brockton, MA and Lexington, KY are to
communicate the Secretary's decision
on the specific options to be evaluated
and the timeframe for the completion of
the studies. Additional presentations
will focus on the VA-selected

contractor's methodology and tools to
evaluate the remaining options. The
agendas will also accommodate public
commentary on implementation issues
associated with each option.

Featured agenda items of the meeting
in Walla Walla, WA include a
discussion of the summary of the
proposed space plan and siting of the
new multi-specialty outpatient clinic on
the VA Medical Center Walla Walla
campus.

Interested persons may attend and
present oral or written statements to the
Committee. For additional information

regarding the meetings, please contact
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Dated: August 28, 2006.

By direction of the Secretary.

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Committee Management Officer.

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