

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov; or to Mary Stout, Veterans Health Administration (193E1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420; or e-mail: mary.stout@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0376” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Stout at (202) 461–5867.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Titles:

- a. Claim for Payment of Cost of Unauthorized Medical Services, VA Form 10–583.
- b. Funeral Arrangements Form for Disposition of Remains of the Deceased, VA Form 10–2065.
- c. Authority and Invoice for Travel by Ambulance or Other Hired Vehicle, VA Form 10–2511.
- d. Authorization and Invoice for Medical and Hospital Services, VA Form 10–7078.
- e. Request for Payment of Beneficiary Travel after the Date of Service.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0080.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract:

- a. VA Form 10–583 is used to request payment or reimbursement of the cost of unauthorized non-VA medical services.
- b. VA Form 10–2065 is completed by VA personnel during an interview with relatives of the deceased, and to identify the funeral home to which the remains

are to be released. The form is also used as a control document when VA is requested to arrange for the transportation of the deceased from the place of death to the place of burial, and/or when burial is requested in a National Cemetery.

c. VA Form 10–2511 is used to process payment for ambulance or other hired vehicular forms of transportation for eligible veterans to and from VA health care facilities for examination, treatment or care.

d. VA uses VA Form 10–7078 to authorize expenditures from the medical care account and process payment of medical and hospital services provided by other than Federal health providers to VA beneficiaries.

e. Claimants who request payment for beneficiary travel after the time of service may do so in writing or in person.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit, Individuals or households, and Not for profit institutions.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 30,391 hours.

- a. VA Form 10–583—17,188.
- b. VA Form 10–2065—2,053.
- c. VA Form 10–2511—2,333.
- d. VA Form 10–7078—8,400.

e. Request for Payment of Beneficiary Travel after the Date of Service—417.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:

- a. VA Form 10–583—15 minutes.
- b. VA Form 10–2065—5 minutes.
- c. VA Form 10–2511—2 minutes.
- d. VA Form 10–7078—2 minutes.

e. Request for Payment of Beneficiary Travel after the Date of Service—1 minute.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 440,380.

- a. VA Form 10–583—68,750 respondents.
- b. VA Form 10–2065—24,630 respondents.
- c. VA Form 10–2511—70,000 respondents.
- d. VA Form 10–7078—252,000 respondents.

e. Request for Payment of Beneficiary Travel after the Date of Service—25,000.

Dated: August 16, 2007.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–New (21–0819)]

Agency Information Collection: Emergency Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), this notice announces that the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following emergency proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507(j)(1)). The reason for the emergency clearance is to determine a service member’s eligibility for participation in a joint DOD/VA Disability Evaluation Board and VA compensation after separation from service. OMB has been requested to act on this emergency clearance request by September 21, 2007.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 12, 2007.

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–New (21–0819)” in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 565–8374, FAX (202) 565–7870 or e-mail denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–New (21–0819).”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: VA/DOD Joint Disability Evaluation Board Claim, VA Form 21–0819.

OMB Control Number: 2900–New (21–0819).

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: As a result of President Bush’s Interagency Task Force on Returning Global War on Terror Heroes, VA and the Department of Defense (DOD) have agreed to develop a joint process in which Global War on Terror (GWOT) service members are evaluated to assign disability ratings, which will be used to determine military retention,

level of disability for retirement, and VA disability compensation. VA Form 21-0819 will be used to gather the necessary information to determine the service member's eligibility for participation in a joint DOD/VA Disability Evaluation Board and VA compensation after separation from service.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 7,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 14,000.

Dated: August 20, 2007.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission has scheduled a meeting for September 19-21, 2007, at the Washington Plaza Hotel, 10 Thomas Circle, NW., Washington, DC. On Wednesday, September 19, the session will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. On Thursday, September 20, the session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. On Friday, September 21, the session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 12 noon. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Commission is to carry out a study of the benefits under

the laws of the United States that are provided to compensate and assist veterans and their survivors for disabilities and deaths attributable to military service.

The agenda for this meeting will feature ongoing review, discussions and decisions by the Commission as it continues the process of assembling its final report. There will be time set aside for public comments. Interested persons may attend and present oral statements to the Commission on September 19. Oral presentations will be limited to five minutes or less. Interested parties may also provide written comments for review by the Commission prior to the meeting, by e-mail to veterans@vetscommission.com or by mail to Mr. Ray Wilburn, Executive Director, Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission, 1101 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20004.

Dated: August 22, 2007.

By Direction of the Secretary.

E. Philip Riggan,

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 on October 4-5, 2007, at The American Legion, Washington Office, 1608 K Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. The meeting will be open to the public.

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

The agenda for October 4 will feature a review of VA and Department of Defense (DOD) programs to address the mental health and readjustment service needs of returning war veterans, deployment-related stress problems faced by service members and their families, and Battlemind Training for Families as developed by the Walter Reed Army Institute for Research.

On October 5, the Committee will be provided an update on the current activities of the Readjustment Counseling Service Vet Center program to serve the veterans from Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. The agenda will also include a review of the partnership between VA and DOD in ensuring a seamless transition for returning war veterans, strategic planning activities, and drafting recommendations for the Committee's next report to Congress.

Time will not 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 in advance to Mr. Charles M. Flora, M.S.W., Designated Federal Officer, Readjustment Counseling Service, Department of Veterans Affairs (15), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Those who plan to attend or have questions concerning the meeting may contact Mr. Flora at (202) 461-6531 or e-mail at charles.flora@va.gov.

Dated: August 24, 2007.

E. Philip Riggan,

Committee Management Officer.

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