

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, February 23, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dave Coffman at 1-888-912-1227, or 206-220-6096.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Area 6 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Thursday, February 23, 2006 from 10 a.m. Pacific Time to 11:30 a.m. Pacific Time via a telephone conference call. The public is invited to make oral comments. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6096, or write to Dave Coffman, TAP Office, 915 2nd Avenue, MS W-406, Seattle, WA 98174 or you can contact us at <http://www.improveirs.org>. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Dave Coffman. Mr. Coffman can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6096.

The agenda will include the following: Various IRS issues.

Dated: January 23, 2006.

Martha Curry,

Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0227]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information

needed to determine whether VA is providing quality of health-care services to its patients.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 27, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Ann W. Bickoff (193E1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail: ann.bickoff@hq.med.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0227" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann W. Bickoff at (202) 273-8310 or FAX (202) 273-9381.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 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.

Title: Nation-wide Customer Satisfaction Surveys.

a. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Recently Discharged Inpatient, VA Form 10-1465-1.

b. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Ambulatory Care, VA Form 10-1465-3.

c. About Your VA Prosthetics Care and Service, VA Form 10-0142b.

d. Survey on Your VA Home Based Primary Care (HBPC), VA Form 10-1465-9.

e. Customer Satisfaction Survey for Nutritional and Food Service, VA Form 10-5387.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0227.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Forms 10-0142b, 10-1465-1, 10-1465-3, 10-1465-9, and 10-5387 will be used to survey customers regarding their satisfaction with VA's

healthcare services. VA will use the data collected to identify areas where attention is needed and to improve its quality of health care services provided to veterans.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 200,507 hours.

a. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Recently Discharged Inpatient, VA Form 10-1465-1—37,500.

b. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Ambulatory Care, VA Form 10-1465-3—153,300.

c. About your VA Prosthetics Care and Service, VA Form 10-0142b—4,320.

d. Survey on Your Home Based Primary Care (HBPC), VA Form 10-1465-9—1,200.

e. Customer Satisfaction Survey for Nutritional and Food Service, VA Form 10-5387—4,187.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:

a. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Recently Discharged Inpatient, VA Form 10-1465-1—30 minutes.

b. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Ambulatory Care, VA Form 10-1465-3—30 minutes.

c. About your VA Prosthetics Care and Service, VA Form 10-0142b—24 minutes.

d. Survey on Your Home Based Primary Care, VA Form 10-1465-9—15 minutes.

e. Customer Satisfaction Survey Nutritional and Food Service, VA Form 10-5387—2 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 439,400.

a. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Recently Discharged Inpatient, VA Form 10-1465-1—75,000.

b. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Ambulatory Care, VA Form 10-1465-3—306,600.

c. About your VA Prosthetics Care and Service, VA Form 10-0142b—21,600.

d. Survey on Your Home Based Primary Care, VA Form 10-1465-9—4,800.

e. Customer Satisfaction Survey Nutritional and Food Service, VA Form 10-5387—31,400.

Estimated Total Annual Responses:

a. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Recently Discharged Inpatient, VA Form 10-1465-1—75,000.

b. Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients Ambulatory Care, VA Form 10-1465-3—306,600.

c. About your VA Prosthetics Care and Service, VA Form 10-0142b—10,800.

d. Survey on Your Home Based Primary Care, VA Form 10-1465-9—4,800.

e. Customer Satisfaction Survey Nutritional and Food Service, VA Form 10-5387—125,600.

Dated: January 17, 2006.

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]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-21), this notice announces that the Veterans Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the

collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 27, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 565-8374 or FAX (202) 565-6950 or e-mail: denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-New."

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection 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" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: VetBiz Vendor Information Pages.

OMB Control Number: 2900-New.

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: The Vendor Information Pages (VIP) will be used to assist federal

agencies in identifying small business owned and controlled by veterans and service-connected disable veterans. This information is necessary to ensure that veteran own businesses are given the opportunity to participate in Federal contractors and receive contract solicitations information automatically.

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 10, 2005 at page 68513.

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

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,500 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 25 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,000.

Dated: January 13, 2006.

By direction of the Secretary:

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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