

ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by February 16, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) (Force Management Policy) (Military Personnel Policy) / Accession Policy, ATTN: LTC Michael Ostroski, Room 2B271, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-4000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address or call (703) 695-5529.

*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number:* "Report of Medical History," DD Form X376, OMB Control Number 0704-[To be Determined].

*Needs and Uses:* Title 10, USC Chapter 31: Section 504 and 505, and Chapter 33: Section 532, requires applicants to meet accession medical standards prior to enlistment into the Armed Forces (including the Coast Guard). If applicants' medical history reveals a medical condition that does not meet the accession medical standards, they are medically disqualified for military entrance. This form also will be used by all Service members not only in their initial medical examination but also for required periodic medical examinations.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households

*Annual Burden Hours:* 256,659

*Number of Respondents:* 330,000

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1

*Average Burden Per Response:* .66 hours per respondent.

*Frequency:* One time.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:**

**Summary of Information Collection**

The new form associated with this information collection will replace the form currently used by the Department, "SF 93—Report of Medical History." This new form is needed in order to obtain the medical information which affects entrance physical examinations, routine in-service physical examinations, separation physical examinations, and other medical examinations, as required.

The respondents are all applicants for enlistment, induction or

commissioning. The applicant(s) completes the medical history information recorded on the form. This information collected provides the Armed Services with the medical history of applicants. The DD Form X376 is the method of collecting and verifying medical data on applicants applying for entrance. This DD Form X376 will be the official DoD medical document used by the Services through which historical medical information is collected, reviewed, and maintained.

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*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary of Defense**

**Department of Defense Wage Committee; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of Public Law 92-463, the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that closed meetings of the Department of Defense Wage Committee will be held on January 5, 1999, January 12, 1999, January 19, 1999, and January 26, 1999, at 10:00 a.m. in Room A105, The Nash Building, 1400 Key Boulevard, Rosslyn, Virginia.

Under the provisions of section 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, the Department of Defense has determined that the meetings meet the criteria to close meetings to the public because the matters to be considered are related to internal rules and practices of the Department of Defense and the detailed wage data to be considered were obtained from officials of private establishments with a guarantee that the data will be held in confidence.

However, members of the public who may wish to do so are invited to submit material in writing to the chairman concerning matters believed to be deserving of the Committee's attention.

Additional information concerning the meetings may be obtained by writing to the Chairman, Department of Defense Wage Committee, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-4000.

Dated: December 9, 1998.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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**Vocational Rehabilitation Service Projects for American Indians With Disabilities; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 1999**

*Purpose of Program:* To provide vocational rehabilitation services to American Indians with disabilities who reside on or near Federal or State reservations, consistent with their individual strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, and informed choice, so that they may prepare for and engage in gainful employment, including self-employment, telecommuting, or business ownership.

*Eligible Applicants:* Applications may be submitted only by the governing bodies of Indian tribes and consortia of those governing bodies located on Federal or State reservations.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* June 1, 1999.

*Applications Available:* December 15, 1998.

*Available Funds:* \$3,800,000.

*Estimated Range of Awards:* \$250,000—\$350,000.

*Estimated Average Size of Awards:* \$300,000.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* 12.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

*Project Period:* Up to 60 months.

*Applicable Regulations:* (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 80, 81, and 82; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR parts 369 and 371.

**Priority**

Under section 121(b)(4) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Secretary gives preference to applications that meet the following competitive priority. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(i) the Secretary awards 10 points to an application that meets this competitive priority. These points are in addition to any points the application earns under the selection criteria for the program:

**Competitive Preference Priority—Continuation of Previously Funded Tribal Programs**

Section 121(b)(4) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, provides that in making new awards under this program the Secretary gives priority consideration to applications for the continuation of tribal programs that