

findings; (3) Dentist's treatment plan and listing of services needed; (4) Listing of dentist's usual and customary fees for specific services involved in treatment plan; (5) VA review, verification and authorization of treatment to the fee dentist; (6) Dentist's certification of services completed; (7) VA's permanent record of treatment provided for veterans and statement of exhaustion of benefits, if indicated; VA's approval of dental services and total fees for payment; and (8) Fiscal approval and certification of payment and amount. Without this information, veterans' dental treatment needs could not be identified, fees for services could not be established, the veterans could not receive treatment, and the fee dentist could not be reimbursed.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 14,333 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 20 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 43,000.

Dated: December 3, 1999.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sandra McIntyre,

Program Analyst, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-NEW]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), 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 January 24, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Information Management

Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-NEW."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Ecclesiastical Endorsing Organization Verification/Reverification Information, VA Form 10-0379.

OMB Control Number: 2900-NEW.

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: This information is used by VHA's Chaplain Service to determine whether organizations seeking recognition as ecclesiastical endorsing organizations meet VA requirements for such recognition. To assure that individuals employed by VA as chaplains are qualified to provide for constitutional rights of veterans to free exercise of religion, VA requires that each applicant for Chaplaincy submit an official statement ("ecclesiastical endorsement") from their religion or faith group, certifying that the applicant is in good standing with the faith group and is qualified to perform the full range of ministry required in the VA setting. VA must obtain information from the faith groups which supply these endorsements in order to determine: (1) Who the faith group designates as its endorsing official(s); (2) whether the faith group provides ministry to a lay constituency; and (3) what is the constituency to which persons endorsed by this group may minister.

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 September 23, 1999, at page 51584.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 11.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Allison Eydt, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4650. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-NEW" in any correspondence.

Dated: December 3, 1999.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sandra McIntyre,

Program Analyst, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0004]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

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 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), 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.

DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before January 24, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT:

Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8135 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0004."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation, Death Pension and Accrued Benefits by a Surviving Spouse or Child (Including Death Compensation if Applicable), VA Form 21-534.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0004.

Type of Review: Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Abstract: The form is used to gather the necessary information to determine the spouse's and children's eligibility, dependency and income, as applicable, for the death benefits sought.

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