

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**[OMB Control No. 2900-NEW]****Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request****AGENCY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) 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 new collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to guarantee loans for construction or rehabilitation of multifamily transitional housing for homeless veterans.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 18, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Ann Bickoff, Veterans Health Administration (193B1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail:

ann.bickoff@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-NEW" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Bickoff at (202) 273-8310.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C., 3501-3520), 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: VA Multifamily Transitional Housing Loan Guaranty Application, VA Form 10-0365.

OMB Control Number: 2900-NEW.

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: VA is authorized to guarantee loans for construction or rehabilitation of multifamily transitional housing for homeless veterans. Loans may include amounts to acquire land, refinance existing loans, finance acquisition of furniture, equipment, supplies and materials and to supply working capital for the organization. The information collected is used to determine financial and program service provider eligibility and apply criteria to rate each application; and to obtain information necessary to ensure minimal defaults and delinquencies, interest subsidies, or other payments.

Affected Public: Not for Profit Institutions, and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 200 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 40 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5.

Dated: December 20, 2001.

By direction of the Secretary.

Donald L. Neilson,

Director, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**[OMB Control No. 2900-0620]****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 February 14, 2002.

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, FAX (202) 273-5981 or e-mail to: *denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov*. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0620."

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Title: Payment or Reimbursement for Emergency Services for Nonservice-Connected Conditions in Non-VA Facilities.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0620.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA has established provisions regarding payment of or reimbursement for reasonable value of non-VA emergency services provided for nonservice-connected conditions of certain veterans who have no medical insurance and no other recourse for payment. VA will make payment or reimbursement only for emergency services provided in a hospital emergency department or a similar facility held out as providing emergency care to the public. Health care providers furnishing emergency treatment who believe they may have a basis for filing a claim with VA for payment should contact VA within 48 hours after the veteran begins receiving emergency treatment for emergency services other than emergency transportation. Such contact is not a condition of VA payment. However, the contact will assist the provider in understanding the condition for payment and assist the provider in planning for transfer of the veteran after stabilization. VA would use the information and certifications submitted to process claims for such reimbursement or payment.

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 October 26, 2001, at pages 54340-54341.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Annual Burden: 120,729 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 241,457.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to