

with the IRS or inform individuals for whom English is a second language of their tax rights and responsibilities. The IRS may award grants to qualifying organizations to fund one-year, two-year or three-year project periods. Grant funds may be awarded for start-up expenditures incurred by new clinics during the grant period. The costs of preparing and submitting an application are the responsibility of each applicant. Each application will be given due consideration and the LITC Program Office will mail notification letters to each applicant no later than November 30, 2006.

Selection Considerations

Applications that pass the eligibility screening process will be numerically ranked based on the information contained in each proposed program plan. Please note that the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Programs are independently funded and separate from the LITC Program. Organizations currently participating in the VITA or TCE Programs may also be eligible to apply for a LITC grant if they meet the criteria and qualifications outlined in the *2007 Grant Application Package and Guidelines*. Organizations that seek to operate VITA and LITC Programs, or TCE and LITC Programs, must maintain separate and distinct programs even if co-located to ensure proper cost allocation for LITC grant funds and adherence to the rules and regulations of the VITA, TCE, and LITC Programs, as appropriate. In addition to the criteria and qualifications outlined in the *2007 Grant Application Package and Guidelines*, to foster parity regarding clinic availability and accessibility for taxpayers nationwide, the IRS will consider the geographic areas served by applicants as part of the decision-making process. The IRS will also seek to attain a proper balance of academic and nonprofit organizations, as well as a proper balance of start-up and existing clinics.

Comments

Interested parties are encouraged to provide comments on the IRS's administration of the grant program on an ongoing basis. Comments may be sent to: Internal Revenue Service, Taxpayer Advocate Service, Attn: W.R. Swartz, LITC Program Office, 290

Broadway, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Advisory Group to the Internal Revenue Service; Tax Exempt and Government Entities Division (TE/GE); Meeting

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities (ACT) will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, June 7, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven J. Pyrek, Director, TE/GE Communications and Liaison; 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., SE:T:CL—Penn Bldg.; Washington, DC 20224. Telephone: 202-283-9966 (not a toll-free number). E-mail address: Steve.J.Pyrek@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By notice herein given, pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988), a public meeting of the ACT will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the Internal Revenue Service; 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., Room 3313; Washington, DC. Issues to be discussed relate to Employee Plans, Exempt Organizations, and Government Entities.

Reports from four ACT subgroups cover the following topics:

- Document Compliance Program for 403(b) Arrangements
- Public Employers' Toolkit for Preparing Payrolls
- Policies and Guidelines for Form 990 Revision
- Effects of IRS Audit Information on the Tax-Exempt Bond Market

Last minute agenda changes may preclude advance notice. Due to limited seating and security requirements, attendees must call Cynthia PhillipsGrady to confirm their attendance.

Ms. PhillipsGrady can be reached at (202) 283-9954. Attendees are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes before the meeting begins to allow sufficient time for security clearance. Picture identification must be

presented. Please use the main entrance at 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., to enter the building.

Should you wish the ACT to consider a written statement, please call (202) 283-9966, or write to: Internal Revenue Service; 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., SE:T:CL—Penn Bldg.; Washington, DC 20224, or e-mail Steve.J.Pyrek@irs.gov.

Dated: May 2, 2006.

Steven J. Pyrek,

Designated Federal Official, Tax Exempt and Government Entities Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Issue Committee

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel VITA Issue Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comment, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday, June 6, 2006, at 3 p.m. eastern time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandy McQuin at 1-888-912-1227, or (414) 231-2360.

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 a meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel VITA Issue Committee will be held Tuesday, June 6, 2006, at 3 p.m. eastern time via a telephone conference call. You can submit written comments to the panel by faxing to (414) 231-2363, or by mail to Taxpayer Advocacy Panel, Stop 1006ML, 211 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203-2221, or you can contact us at <http://www.improveirs.org>. Public comments will also be welcome during the meeting. Please contact Sandy McQuin at 1-888-912-1227 or at (414) 231-2360 for additional information.

The agenda will include the following: Various IRS issues.

Dated: May 2, 2006.

John Fay,

Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.

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