

OMB Control Number: 2900-0001.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Veterans complete VA Form 21-526 to apply for compensation and/or pension benefits. Veterans who need VA's assistance in obtaining non-VA medical records must complete VA Form 21-4142.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden:

a. VA Form 21-526—589,208.

b. VA Form 21-4142—3,292.

Estimated Average Burden per

Respondent:

a. VA Form 21-526—1 hour and 30 minutes.

b. VA Form 21-4142—5 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 395,000.

Dated: April 21, 2008.

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 (10-21085a-e)]

### Proposed Information Collection (Prevalence and Clinical Course of Depression Among Patients With Heart Failure); 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 new collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to identify the patterns of depression in heart failure patients.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before June 27, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through

<http://www.Regulations.gov>; or to Mary Stout, Veterans Health Administration (193E1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420; or e-mail: [mary.stout@va.gov](mailto:mary.stout@va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-New (10-21085a-e)" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at <http://www.Regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mary Stout (202) 461-5867 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:* Prevalence and Clinical Course of Depression Among Patients with Heart Failure, VA HSR&D, Nursing Research Initiative No. 05-209-3, VA Form 10-21085a-e(NR).

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-New (10-21085a-e).

*Type of Review:* New collection.

*Abstract:* The forms will be used to evaluate the prevalence of clinical depression and depressive symptoms among veterans with heart failure during periods of hospitalization and out patient care. The data will be used to identify the patterns of depression and to understand the temporal relationship between clinical depression, alterations in physical functions, and levels of circulating biochemical markers in heart failure patients.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 1,362.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 22 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.  
*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 3,706.

Dated: April 21, 2008.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0262]

### Agency Information Collection (Designation of Certifying Official(s)) 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. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit 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 May 28, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through <http://www.Regulations.gov> or 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. 2900-0262" in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461-7485, FAX (202) 273-0443 or e-mail [denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov](mailto:denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0262."

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Designation of Certifying Official(s), VA Form 22-8794.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0262.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* Educational institutions and job training establishments complete VA Form 22-8794 to provide the name of individuals authorized to certify reports

on student enrollment and hours worked on behalf of the school or training facility. VA will use the data collected to ensure that education benefits are not awarded based on reports from someone other than the designated certifying official.

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 February 5, 2008, at pages 6768–6769.

*Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal Government, Business or other for-profit, and Not for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 533 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 10 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 3,200.

Dated: April 17, 2008.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Denise McLamb,**

*Program Analyst, Records Management Service.*

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