DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Public Availability of the Department of Veterans Affairs Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Service Contract Inventory Analysis Report and FY 2012 Service Contract Inventory

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 743 of Division C of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111–117), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is publishing this notice to advise the public of the availability of the FY 2011 Service Contract Inventory Analysis Report and FY 2012 Service Contract Inventory. The FY 2011 analysis report discusses the methodology, analysis, and special interest functions studied from the FY 2011 inventory, as well as actions, planned and taken, to address any identified weaknesses or challenges. The FY 2012 inventory provides information on VA service contract actions over $25,000. The inventory information is organized by function to show how contracted resources are distributed throughout the agency. The report and inventory were developed in accordance with guidance issued on November 5, 2010, and updated on December 19, 2011, by the Office of Management and Budget’s Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP). OFPP’s guidance is available at: http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/procurement-service-contract-inventories. VA posted the report, inventory, and a summary of the inventory on the VA Web site at: http://www.va.gov/oal/business/pps/scainventory.asp.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marilyn Harris, Director, of Procurement Policy and Warrant Management Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420. Questions regarding the service contract inventory should be directed to Marilyn Harris at (202) 461–6918, or Marilyn.Harris2@va.gov.

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Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.


SUMMARY: The Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)] requires all agencies to publish in the Federal Register a notice of the existence and character of their systems of records. Notice is hereby given that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is establishing a new system of records entitled “Principles of Excellence Centralized Complaint System-VA” 170VA22.

DATES: Comments on this new system of records must be received no later than March 25, 2013. If no public comment is received during the period allowed for comment, or unless otherwise published in the Federal Register by VA, the new system will become effective March 25, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning the proposed new system of records may be submitted by: mail or hand-delivery to Director, Regulations Management (02REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Room 1068, Washington, DC 20420; fax to (202) 273–9026; or email to http://www.Regulations.gov. All comments received will be available for public inspection in the Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Room 1063B, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays). Please call (202) 461–4902 for an appointment. (This is not a toll-free number.) In addition, during the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Erickson, Performance Management Team, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461–9829.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Executive Order 13607, “Establishing Principles of Excellence for Institutions Serving Service Members, Veterans, Spouses, and Other Family Members,” requires the creation of a centralized complaint system for students receiving Federal military and veteran educational benefits to submit complaints against institutions they feel have acted deceptively or fraudulently. VA proposes to establish this new system of records, entitled “Principles of Excellence Centralized Complaint System-VA” 170VA22. This system will provide a standardized method for students and others to submit a complaint or allegation that an entity or individual has not or may not have adhered to the Principles of Excellence established in the Executive Order. The notice of intent to publish and an advance copy of the system notice have been sent to the appropriate congressional committees and to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) (Privacy Act) and guidelines issued by OMB (65 FR 77677, December 12, 2000).


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SYSTEM NAME:
“Principles of Excellence Centralized Complaint System-VA” 170VA22.

SYSTEM LOCATION:
Complaints or allegations concerning entities or individuals that have not or may not have adhered to the Principles of Excellence established in the Executive Order 13607 will be submitted by users of VA education benefits or veterans, service members, and their families. Registered complaints will be transmitted in a secure electronic format to VA Central Office for review. Policy issues concerning this system should be submitted to the Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:
Individuals covered by this system are individuals who submit complaints to VA (on their own); individuals on whose behalf complaints are submitted by others (such as attorneys, members of Congress, third party advocates, and/or other governmental organizations); and employees, the Federal Trade Commission, other Federal agencies, state agencies, or VA. Information...