

collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

*Title:* The Veterans' Outcome Assessment (VOA) (Veteran Survey Interview), VA Form 10-211017.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-NEW.

*Type of Review:* New collection.

*Abstract:* This collection is in response to the requirements set out by The National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2013 (NDAA), Public Law 112-239. Section 726 of the NDAA requires VA to "develop and implement a comprehensive set of measures to assess mental health care services furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs." Responding to this requirement, a VA workgroup therefore developed a plan for a brief survey of a representative sample of patients who are new to mental health treatment. Data collected will allow the program office to ensure that the target audience is being reached, effective treatments are being offered, and tangible, quantitative results are being measured and tracked for continual program improvement.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 2,140 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* One time.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4,280.

Dated: March 19, 2014.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Crystal Rennie,**

*VA Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0606]

### Proposed Information Collection (Regulation for Submission of Evidence); 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 revision of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to collect or recover cost for medical care or services provided or furnished to veterans with non-service-connected conditions.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before May 23, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov); or to Audrey Revere, Office of Regulatory and Administrative Affairs, Veterans Health Administration (10B4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email: [Audrey.revere@va.gov](mailto:Audrey.revere@va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0556" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Audrey Revere at (202) 461-5694.

**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:* Regulation for Submission of Evidence—Title 38 CFR 17.101(a)(4).

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0606.

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

*Abstract:* Under the provisions of 38 CFR 17.101(a)(4), a third party payer that is liable for reimbursing VA for care and services VA provided to veterans with non-service-connected conditions

continues to have the option of paying either the billed charges or the amount the health plan demonstrates it would pay to providers other than entities of the United States for the same care or services in the same geographic area. If the amount submitted by the health plan is less than the amount billed, VA will accept the submission as payment, subject to verification at VA's discretion. VA uses the information to determine whether the third-party payer has met the test of properly demonstrating its equivalent private sector provider payment amount for the same care or services VA provided.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 800 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 2 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 400.

Dated: March 18, 2014.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Crystal Rennie,**

*Department Clearance Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, that a meeting of the Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee will be held on April 15-16, 2014, in Room 530 at the Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC. On April 15, the session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. On April 16, the session will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 12 noon. This meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Under Secretary for Health on all matters pertaining to geriatrics and gerontology. The Committee assesses the capability of VA health care facilities and programs to meet the medical, psychological, and social needs of older Veterans and evaluates VA programs designated as Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Centers.

The meeting will feature presentations and discussions on VA's geriatrics and extended care programs, aging research activities, updates on VA

employee staff working in the area of geriatrics (to include training, recruitment and retention approaches), Veterans Health Administration (VHA) strategic planning activities in geriatrics and extended care, recent VHA efforts regarding dementia and program advances in palliative care, and performance and oversight of VA Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Centers.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Interested parties should provide written comments for review by the Committee to Mrs. Marcia Holt-Delaney, Program Analyst, Geriatrics and Extended Care Services (10P4G), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, or via email at [Marcia.Holt-Delaney@va.gov](mailto:Marcia.Holt-Delaney@va.gov).

Individuals who wish to attend the meeting should contact Mrs. Holt-Delaney at (202) 461-6769.

Dated: March 19, 2014.

**Rebecca Schiller,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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