Meeting	Date(s)
BL/CS R&D Endocrinology-B Subcommittee	November 25, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Mental Health & Behavioral Sciences-A Subcommittee	December 3, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Nephrology Subcommittee	December 3, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Neurobiology-B Subcommittee	December 3, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Infectious Diseases-A Subcommittee	December 4, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Neurobiology-F Subcommittee	December 4, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Cardiovascular Studies-B Subcommittee	December 5, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Gastroenterology Subcommittee	December 5, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Neurobiology-P Subcommittee	December 5, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Neurobiology-A Subcommittee	December 6, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Neurobiology-D Subcommittee	December 6, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Gulf War Research Subcommittee	December 6, 2019.
BL/CS R&D Eligibility Subcommittee	January 17, 2020.

The purpose of the subcommittees is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.

These subcommittee meetings will be closed to the public for the review, discussion, and evaluation of initial and renewal research proposals, which involve reference to staff and consultant critiques of research proposals. Discussions will deal with scientific merit of each proposal and qualifications of personnel conducting the studies, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Additionally, premature disclosure of research information could significantly obstruct implementation of proposed agency action regarding the research proposals. As provided by subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92–463, as amended by Public Law 94–409, closing the subcommittee meetings is in accordance with Title 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B).

Those who would like to obtain a copy of the minutes from the closed subcommittee meetings and rosters of the subcommittee members should contact Holly Krull, Ph.D., Manager, Merit Review Program (10X2B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, at (202) 632–8522 or email at *holly.krull@va.gov.*

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Creating Options for Veterans Expedited Recovery (COVER) Commission, Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Creating Options for Veterans Expedited Recovery (COVER) Commission gives notice of a meeting to be held on October 24 and 25, 2019, at the VHA National Conference Center, 2011 Crystal Drive, Crystal City, Virginia 22202. The public session on October 24 will begin at 1:00 p.m. and conclude at approximately 5:00 p.m. On October 25, the public session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at approximately 12:00 p.m. (all times Eastern).

The purpose of the COVER Commission is to examine the evidence-based therapy treatment model used by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for treating mental health conditions of Veterans and the potential benefits of incorporating complementary and integrative health approaches as standard practice throughout the Department.

Members of the public are invited to attend open sessions in-person or via telephone listening line. Only a limited amount of seating will be available, and members of the public will be seated on a first come-first served basis. The listening line number for October 24 is 844–376–0278 access code 771669984#. The listening line number for October 25 is 844–376–0278 access code 623057095#. Listening lines will be activated approximately 10 minutes prior to each day's sessions. Members of the public utilizing the listening line are asked to confirm their attendance via an email to *COVERCommission@va.gov.* The videotaping or recording of Commission proceedings is discouraged as it may be disruptive to the Commission's work.

Any member of the public seeking additional information including copies of materials referenced during open sessions should email the Designated Federal Officer for the Commission, Mr. John Goodrich, at *COVERCommission@va.gov.* Although there will not be time allotted for members of the public to speak, the COVER Commission will accept written comments which may be sent to the email address noted. In communications with the Commission, the writers must identify themselves and state the organizations, associations, or persons they represent.

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