

applicant's continued eligibility to educational assistance administered by VA when a change of program or place of training occur.

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*Affected Public:* Institutions of Higher Learning.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 57,009.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 20 minutes paper; 14 minutes electronic.

*Frequency of Response:* Once.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 184,895.

By direction of the Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, that the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses will meet by teleconference on March 10, 2021. The open session will convene at 11:00 a.m. (EST) and end at 2:00 p.m. (EST). The open session will be available to the public by dialing the toll-free telephone number for audio (800) 767-1750; access code 56978# and connecting to Adobe Connect URL for visual: <http://va-eerc-ees.adobeconnect.com/racgwvi-mar2021/>.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice and make recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on proposed research studies, research plans, and research strategies relating to the health consequences of military service in the Southwest Asia Theater of operations during the Gulf War in 1990-1991.

The Committee will review VA program activities related to Gulf War Veterans' illnesses and updates on relevant scientific research published since the last Committee meeting. This meeting will include presentations from

the 2020 VA-DoD Gulf War Illness State of the Science Conference and recommend next steps.

The meeting will include time reserved for public comments 30 minutes before the meeting closes. Individuals who wish to address the Committee may submit a 1-2 page summary of their comments for inclusion in the official meeting record. Members of the public may submit written statements for the Committee's review or seek additional information by contacting Dr. Karen Block, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 443-5600, or [Karen.Block@va.gov](mailto:Karen.Block@va.gov).

Dated: January 22, 2021.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Solicitation of Nomination for Appointment to the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as members of the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation (hereinafter referred to as "the Committee").

**DATES:** Nominations for membership on the Committee must be received by February 8, 2021, no later than 4:00 p.m., eastern standard time. Packages received after this time will not be considered for the current membership cycle.

**ADDRESSES:** All nomination packages should be emailed to the Designated Federal Officer, Latrese Thompson at [Latrese.Thompson@va.gov](mailto:Latrese.Thompson@va.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In carrying out the duties set forth, the Committee responsibilities include, but are not limited to, submitting to the Secretary an annual report on the rehabilitation programs and activities of the VA.

**Membership Criteria:** VBA is requesting nominations for upcoming vacancies on the Committee. Members of the Committee are appointed by the Secretary from the general public, including but not limited to:

(1) Veterans with service-connected disabilities;

(2) Persons who have distinguished themselves in the public and private sectors in the fields of rehabilitation medicine, vocational guidance, vocational rehabilitation, and employment and training programs

(3) Ex officio members of the Committee shall include one representative from the Veterans Health Administration and one from the Veterans Benefits Administration; one representative each from the Rehabilitation Services Administration of the Department of Education, and the National Institute for Handicapped Research of the Department of Education; and one representative of the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training of the Department of Labor.

**Authority:** The Committee was established pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 3121, to advise the Secretary of VA with respect to the administration of Veterans' rehabilitation programs. Nominations of qualified candidates are being sought to fill upcoming vacancies on the Committee.

To the extent possible, the Secretary seeks members who have diverse professional and personal qualifications. We ask that nominations include information of this type so that VA can ensure a balanced Committee membership. Individuals appointed to the Committee by the Secretary shall be invited to serve a three-year term. The Secretary may reappoint a member for an additional term of service. In accordance with Federal Travel Regulation, Committee members will receive travel expenses and a per diem allowance for any travel made in association with duties as members of the Committee and within federal travel guidelines. Self-nominations are acceptable. Any letters of nomination from organizations or other individuals should accompany the package when it is submitted. Non-Veterans are also eligible for nomination.

**Requirements for Nomination submission:** Nominations should be typed (one nomination per nominator). Nomination package should include:

(1) A letter of nomination that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (*i.e.*, specific attributes which qualify the nominee for service in this capacity), and a statement from the nominee indicating that he/she is a U.S. citizen and is willingness to serve as a member of the Committee;

(2) the nominee's contact information, including name, mailing address, telephone numbers, and email address;

(3) the nominee's curriculum vitae;