

information collection, including (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; 49 CFR 1.49; and DOT Order 1351.29A.

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UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION PLAN

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: July 9, 2026, 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

PLACE: The meeting will be accessible via conference call and via Zoom Meeting and Screenshare. Any interested person may call (i) 1-929-205-6099 (US Toll) or 1-669-900-6833 (US Toll), Meeting ID: 990 8940 2733, to listen and participate in this meeting. The website to participate via Zoom Meeting and Screenshare is <https://kellen.zoom.us/joining/register/Z4ODMIRCSXO6AoRSWJboug>.

STATUS: This meeting will be open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Unified Carrier Registration Plan Finance Subcommittee (the "Subcommittee") will continue its work in developing and implementing the Unified Carrier Registration Plan and Agreement. The subject matter of this meeting will include:

Proposed Agenda

I. Call to Order—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair

The UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair will welcome attendees, call the meeting to order, call roll for the Subcommittee, confirm whether a

quorum is present, and facilitate self-introductions.

II. Verification of Publication of Meeting Notice—UCR Executive Director

The UCR Executive Director will verify the publication of the meeting notice on the UCR website and distribution to the UCR contact list via email followed by the subsequent publication of the notice in the **Federal Register**.

III. Review and Approval of Subcommittee Agenda and Setting of Ground Rules—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair

For Discussion and Possible Subcommittee Action

The agenda will be reviewed, and the Subcommittee will consider adopting the agenda.

Ground Rules

Subcommittee action only to be taken in designated areas on agenda.

IV. Review and Approval of Subcommittee Minutes From the February 19, 2026, Meeting—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair

For Discussion and Possible Subcommittee Action

Draft minutes from the February 19, 2026, Subcommittee meeting will be reviewed. The Subcommittee will consider taking action to approve.

V. 2027 Registration Fee Update—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair and Executive Director

The UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair and Executive Director will provide an update on the 2027 registration fee recommendation.

VI. 2028 Registration Year Fee Recommendation—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair, and Executive Director

For Discussion and Possible Subcommittee Action

The UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair and Executive Director will provide an update on the 2028 Registration Year fee recommendation. The Subcommittee may recommend to the UCR Plan Board of Directors a fee structure for the 2028 UCR Registration Year.

VII. Revenues From 2025 and 2026 Registration Fees—UCR Depository Manager

The UCR Depository Manager will review the revenues received from the

2025 and 2026 plan year registration fees.

VIII. 2025 External Financial Audit Update—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair and UCR Depository Manager

The UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair and UCR Depository Manager will provide an update on UCR's 2025 External Financial Audit.

IX. Management Report—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair and UCR Depository Manager

The UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair and UCR Depository Manager will provide an update on UCR finances and related topics.

X. Other Business—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair

The UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair will call for any other items Subcommittee members would like to discuss.

XI. Adjourn—UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair

The UCR Finance Subcommittee Chair will adjourn the meeting.

The agenda will be available no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern daylight time, July 1, 2026, at: <https://plan.ucr.gov>.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Health Systems Research (HSR) Scientific Merit Review Board

Federal Register Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. Ch. 10, that a meeting of the HSR Scientific Merit Review Board will be held September 3, 2026, from 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST), via Webex. The meeting will be open to the public from 11–11:15 a.m. EST. The remainder of the meeting, from 11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m. EST, will be closed to the public and used for scientific review and discussion, examination of, and reference to the research applications. Discussions will involve staff and consultant critiques of

research proposals. Discussions will also cover the scientific merit of each proposal and the qualifications of the 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. Therefore, portions of the Board meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4), (6), and (9)(B).

The objective of the Board is to provide for the impartial selection of the most meritorious research projects for support by VA research funds and to offer advice for research program officials on program priorities and

policies. The Board ensures, through its recommendations, the high quality and mission relevance of VA's legislatively mandated Office of Research and Development's (ORD) HSR portfolio.

The Board evaluates and advises the Acting Deputy Chief Research and Development Officer (Deputy CRADO) for Investigators, Scientific Review, and Management, and the Acting ORD CRADO, on the scientific and technical merit, mission relevance, and protection of human subjects of health systems research proposals. The Board does not consider grants, contracts, or other forms of extramural research.

Members of the public may attend the open portion of the meeting from 11–11:15 a.m. EST via Webex (in listen-only mode, as the time-limited agenda does not allow for public comment or presentations). To attend the open

portion of the meeting, the public may dial the Webex phone number (1–833–558–0712) and enter the meeting access code (2823 124 9657).

Written comments from members of the public should be sent to Tiffin Ross-Shepard, Designated Federal Officer, HSR, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, or to *Tiffin.Ross-Shepard@va.gov*, at least five (5) days before the meeting. The written public comments will be shared with the Board members. The public may not attend the closed portion of the meeting.

Dated: July 2, 2026.

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Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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