

These same protections apply to remote access users.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking information on the existence and content of records in this system pertaining to them may contact the system manager in writing as indicated herein or may write or visit the VA facility location where they normally receive their care. A request for access to records must contain the requester's full name, address, telephone number, be signed by the requester, and describe the records sought in sufficient detail to enable VA personnel to locate them with a reasonable amount of effort.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking to contest or amend records in this system pertaining to them should contact the system manager in writing as indicated herein or may write or visit the VA facility location where they normally receive their care. A request to contest or amend records must state clearly and concisely what record is being contested, the reasons for contesting it, and the proposed amendment to the record.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:

Generalized notice is provided by the publication of this notice. For specific notice, see the Record Access Procedure section herein.

EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

HISTORY:

79 FR 41744 (July 17, 2014).

Appendix 1: VA Regional Offices With Fiduciary Activity

Please send address and telephone number corrections to Department of Veterans Affairs, Pension and Fiduciary Service (21PF), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420.

- *Columbia Fiduciary Hub*
 - Jurisdiction for Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina; Office/Mail: 6437 Garners Ferry Road, Columbia, SC 29209; Phone: 1-888-407-0144; press # 1
- *Indianapolis Fiduciary Hub*
 - Jurisdiction for Asia, Australia, Canada, Connecticut, Delaware, Europe, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont; Office/Mail: 575 North Pennsylvania Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204; Phone: 1-888-407-0144; press # 2

- *Lincoln Fiduciary Hub*
 - Jurisdiction for Central America, Kansas, Mexico, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South America, South Dakota, Texas; Office: 3800 Village Drive, Lincoln, NE 68501; Mail: P.O. Box 5444, Lincoln, NE 68505; Phone: 1-888-407-0144; press # 3
- *Louisville Fiduciary Hub*
 - Jurisdiction for Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, Puerto Rico, Virginia, Washington, DC, West Virginia; Office: 321 West Main Street, Ste 390, Louisville, KY 40202; Mail: P.O. Box 3487, Louisville, KY 40201; Phone: 1-888-407-0144; press # 4
- *Manila Regional Office*
 - Jurisdiction for Philippines; Office: U.S. Embassy, 1501 Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City, Philippines, 1302; Mail: PSC 501, DPO AP 96515
- *Milwaukee Fiduciary Hub*
 - Jurisdiction for Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Wisconsin; Office: 5400 West National Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53214; Mail: P.O. Box 14975, Milwaukee, WI 53214; Phone: 1-888-407-0144; press # 5
- *Salt Lake City Fiduciary Hub*
 - Jurisdiction for Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming; Office: 500 Foothill Drive, Salt Lake City, UT 84158; Mail: P.O. Box 58086, Salt Lake City, UT 84158; Phone: 1-888-407-0144; press # 6

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Joint Brain, Behavioral, and Mental Health and Medical Health (BBMH/MED) Scientific Merit Review Board, 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 Joint Brain, Behavioral, and Mental Health and Medical Health (BBMH/MED) Scientific Merit Review Board will be held July 13, 2026, from 3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST), via Microsoft Teams. The meeting will be open to the public from 3:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m. EST. The remainder of the meeting, from 3:30 p.m.–5:00 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 objectives of the Board are to provide expert review of the scientific quality, budget, safety, and mission-relevance of investigator-initiated research applications submitted for VA merit review consideration and to offer advice for research program officials on program priorities and policies.

The Board advises the Deputy Chief Research and Development Officer (Deputy CRADO) for Investigators, Scientific Review, and Management, and the Acting CRADO for the Office of Research and Development, on strategies, goals, and direction to support emerging issues and topics in Veteran health care through research, scientific and technical merit, and mission relevance. 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 3:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m. EST, via Microsoft Teams (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 Microsoft Teams phone number (872-701-0185) and enter the meeting access code: 65958217#.

Written comments from members of the public should be sent to Michael R. Burgio, Ph.D., Designated Federal Officer, BBMH/MED, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, or to Michael.Burgio@va.gov, at least 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 6, 2026.

Jelessa M. Burney,
Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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