

in order to facilitate entry to the building. No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. However, the Committee will accept written comments from interested parties on issues affecting the development and implementation of the chiropractic health program within the Veterans Health Administration. Comments can be transmitted electronically to the Committee at [sara.mcvicker@mail.va.gov](mailto:sara.mcvicker@mail.va.gov) or mailed to: Chiropractic Advisory Committee, Primary and Ambulatory Care SHG (112), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420.

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By Direction of the Secretary.

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*Deputy Chief of Staff.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans; Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), in accordance with Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act), gives notice that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Homeless

Veterans will be held from Wednesday, September 18, 2002, through Friday, September 20, 2002, at the VA Medical Center, Room 100, 10000 Brecksville Road, Brecksville, OH. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day and conclude on Wednesday and Thursday at 4:30 p.m. and Friday at noon. the meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with an on-going assessment of the effectiveness of the policies, organizational structures, and services of the Department in assisting homeless veterans. The Committee shall assemble and review information relating to the needs of homeless veterans and provide on going advice on the most appropriate means of providing assistance to homeless veterans. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

On September 18, the Committee will visit program sites in the Cleveland, Ohio, area that provide housing and supportive services to homeless veterans. On September 19, the Committee will receive information about Federal efforts to coordinate services, veteran access to homeless services from VA health and benefits programs and review new initiatives to assist veterans. On September 20, the Committee will conclude with reviews of previous presentations and discuss future actions for the Committee,

including formulation of Committee recommendations.

Those wishing to attend the meeting should contact Mr. Pete Dougherty, Department of Veterans Affairs, at (202) 273-5764. No time will be allocated for receiving oral presentations from the public. However, the Committee will accept written comments from interested parties on issues affecting homeless veterans. Such comments should be referred to the Committee at the following address: Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans, Homeless Veterans Programs Office (075D), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420.

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Medical Research Service Merit Review Committee, Notice of Meetings**

The Department of Veterans Affairs gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., of the following meetings to be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. as indicated below:

Subcommittee for	Date(s)	Location
Respiration .....	September 19, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Immunology & Dermatology .....	September 19, 2002 .....	Washington Plaza
Surgery .....	September 23, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Aging & Clinical Geriatrics .....	September 27, 2002 .....	Washington Plaza
Nephrology .....	September 27, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Cardiovascular Studies .....	September 30, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
General Medical Science .....	September 30, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Endocrinology .....	October 3-4, 2002 .....	Marriott Residence Inn
Alcoholism & Drug Dependence .....	October 4, 2002 .....	Washington Plaza
Mental Health & Behav Sciences .....	October 7, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Gastroenterology .....	October 14, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Clinical Research Program .....	October 16, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Infectious Diseases .....	October 17-18, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Neurobiology-C .....	October 18, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Oncology .....	October 21-22, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Hematology .....	October 24, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Neurobiology-D .....	October 24-25, 2002 .....	Marriott Residence Inn
Epidemiology .....	October 29, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central
Medical Research Service Merit Review Committee .....	December 5, 2002 .....	Holiday Inn Central

The addresses of the hotels are:

- Holiday Inn Central, 1501 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington, DC
- Marriott Residence Inn—Thomas Circle, 1199 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC
- Washington Plaza, 10 Thomas Circle, NW, Washington, DC

These subcommittee meetings are for the purpose of evaluating the scientific merit of research conducted in each specialty by Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) investigators working in VA Medical Centers and Clinics.

The subcommittee meetings will be open to the public for approximately one hour at the start of each meeting to

discuss the general status of the program. The remaining portion of each subcommittee meeting will be closed to the public for the review, discussion, and evaluation of initial and renewal projects.

The closed portion of the meetings involves discussion, examination, reference to and oral review of site

visits, staff and consultant critiques of research protocols and similar documents. During this portion of the subcommittee meetings, discussion and recommendations will deal with qualifications of personnel conducting the studies, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, as well as research information, the premature disclosure of which could significantly frustrate implementation of proposed

agency action regarding such research projects.

As provided by subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Public Law 94-409, closing portions of these subcommittee meetings is in accordance with 5 U.S.C., 552b(c) (6) and (9)(B). Those who plan to attend or would like to obtain a copy of minutes of the subcommittee meetings and rosters of the members of the subcommittees should contact LeRoy G.

Frey, Ph.D., Chief, Program Review Division, Medical Research Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, DC, (202) 408-3630.

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