

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0722]

Proposed Information Collection (Health Surveillance for a New Generation of U.S. Veterans); Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to plan and provide better health care for Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom veterans.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before December 18, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov; or to Cynthia Harvey Pryor, Veterans Health Administration (10P7BFP), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email: cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov. Please refer to “2900–0722” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Harvey-Pryor (202) 461–5870 or Fax (202) 273–9387.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary

for the proper performance of VHA’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Health Surveillance for a New Generation of U.S. Veterans Survey.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0722

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The Health Surveillance for a New Generation of U.S. Veterans survey will be used to collect data from Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom veterans regarding their current health status and concerns, exposures of concern in the theater, health care preferences, and health behaviors and attitudes, and to gain knowledge on veterans who have not used VA health care since returning from the current conflict. The data collected will help VA to plan and provide better health care to Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom veterans, as well as understanding the long-term consequences of military deployment.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 24,858 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 39 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 38,300.

Dated: October 15, 2012.

By direction of the Secretary.

William F. Russo,

Deputy Director, Office of Regulations Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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[OMB Control No. 2900–0747]

Proposed Information Collection (Fully Developed Claims) (Applications for Compensation; Applications for Pension; Applications for DIC, Death Pension, and/or Accrued Benefits) Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to process compensation and pension claims within 90 days after receipt of the claim.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before December 18, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov; or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420; or email nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0747” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online at FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632–8924 or Fax (202) 632–8925.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary

for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Titles: Fully Developed Claims (Applications for Compensation, 21-526EZ; Applications for Pension, VA Form 21-527EZ; and Applications for DIC, Death Pension, and/or Accrued Benefits, VA Form 21-534EZ.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0747.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Forms 21-526EZ, 21-527EZ and 21-534EZ will be used to process a claim within 90 days after receipt from a claimant. Claimants are required to sign and date the certification, certifying as of the signed date, no additional information or evidence is available or needs to be submitted in order to adjudicate the claim.

Affected Public: Individuals and Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 43,516 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 25 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 104,440.

Dated: October 15, 2012.

By direction of the Secretary.

William F. Russo,

Deputy Director, Office of Regulations Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0681]

Agency Information Collection (IL Assessment) Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice

announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 19, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov or to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0681" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632-7492, Fax (202) 632-7583 or email denise.mclamb@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0681."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Preliminary Independent Living (IL) Assessment, VA Form 28-0791.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0681.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA case managers use VA Form 28-0791 while evaluating the independent living needs of veterans with severe disabilities. The data is used to determine the scope of the veteran's independent living needs under the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment program.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on August 1, 2012, at pages 45718-45719.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,500.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: One-time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,500.

Dated: October 15, 2012.

By direction of the Secretary.

William F. Russo,

Deputy Director, Office of Regulations Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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[OMB Control No. 2900-0227]

Agency Information Collection (Food Service and Nutritional Care Analysis) Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 19, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov; or to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0227" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632-7492, fax (202) 632-7583 or email crystal.rennie@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0227."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Food Service and Nutritional Care Analysis, VA Form 10-5387.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0227.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA will use the data collected to determine the level of patient satisfaction and quality of service resulting from advanced food preparation and advanced food delivery systems. All meals served are an integral part of a patient's therapy. VA Form 10-5387 will be used to collect and evaluate information needed to determine whether improvements are needed to enhance patient's nutritional therapy.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB