

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 it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 2, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov, or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW, Washington, DC 20503 or send through electronic mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0013” in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Harvey-Pryor, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461–5870 or email cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0013” in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 2301(f)(1).

Title: Application for United States Flag for Burial Purposes (VA Form 27–2008).

OMB Control Number: 2900–0013.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 27–2008 is used for family members and/or next-of-kin to apply for a burial flag.

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 at 82 FR 195 on October 11, 2017, page 47325.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 162,500.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time per family of deceased Veteran.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 650,000.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,

Department Clearance Officer, Office of Quality, Privacy and Risk, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0661]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Grants to States for Construction & Acquisition of State Home Facilities

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Health Administration, 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. **DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before April 2, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Brian McCarthy, Office of Regulatory and Administrative Affairs (10B4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420 or email to Brian.McCarthy4@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0661” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian McCarthy at (202) 615–9241.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, 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.

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 8133(a), 8135(a).

Title: Forms for Grants to States for Construction and Acquisition of State Home Facilities, VA Forms 10–0388–1, 10–0388–2, 10–0388–3, 10–0388–4, 10–0388–5, 10–0388–6, 10–0388–7, 10–0388–8, 10–0388–9, 10–0388–10, 10–0388–12, 10–0388–13.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0661.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: State governments complete VA Forms 10–0388–1, 10–0388–2, 10–0388–3, 10–0388–4, 10–0388–5, 10–0388–6, 10–0388–7, 10–0388–8, 10–0388–9, 10–0388–10, 10–0388–12, and 10–0388–13, to apply for State Home Construction Grant Program and to certify compliance with VA requirements. VA uses this information, along with other documents submitted by States to determine the feasibility of the projects for VA participation, to determine eligibility for a grant award.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,200 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 24 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Annual Responses: 50.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,

Department Clearance Officer, Office of Quality, Privacy and Risk, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans’ Illnesses

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Veterans Health Administration (VHA), is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as a member of the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans’ Illnesses (hereinafter referred to as “the Committee”). The Committee was established to provide advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Secretary) on the proposed research studies, plans,

and strategies related to understanding and treating the health consequences of military service in the Southwest Asia theatre of operations during the 1990–1991 Gulf War. In accordance with the statute and the Committee's current charter, the majority of the membership shall consist of non-Federal employees, appointed by the Secretary from the general public, serving as Special Government employees. The Committee provides, not later than December 1 of each year, an annual report summarizing its activities for the preceding year. The Secretary appoints Committee members for a period of two to three years. A term of service for any member may not exceed three years, but the Secretary may reappoint a member for an additional term of service. Self-nominations and nominations of non-Veterans will be accepted. Any letters of nomination from organizations or other individuals should accompany the package when it is submitted.

In accordance with recently revised guidance regarding the ban on lobbyists serving as members of advisory boards and commissions, Federally-registered lobbyists are prohibited from serving on Federal advisory committees in an individual capacity. Additional information regarding this issue can be found at: www.federalregister.gov/articles/2014/08/13/2014-19140/revised-guidance-on-appointment-of-lobbyists-to-federal-advisory-committees-boards-and-commissions.

DATES: Nominations for membership on the Committee must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on March 1, 2018.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be mailed to Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW (10P9), Washington, DC 20420, emailed to victor.kalasinsky@va.gov, or faxed to (202) 495–6155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Victor Kalasinsky, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW (10P), Washington, DC 20420, telephone (202) 443–5600. (This is not a toll free number.) A copy of the Committee's charter and list of the current membership can be obtained by contacting Dr. Kalasinsky or by accessing the website: <http://www.va.gov/rac-gwvi/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: VHA is requesting nominations for upcoming vacancies on the Committee. The Committee is currently composed of 16 members. The members of the Committee are appointed by the

Secretary from the general public, including but not limited to:

- (1) Gulf War Veterans;
- (2) Representatives of such Veterans;
- (3) Members of the medical and scientific communities representing disciplines such as, but not limited to, epidemiology, immunology, environmental health, neurology, and toxicology.

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.

The Committee meets at least once and up to three times annually. In accordance with Federal Travel Regulation, Committee members will receive travel expenses and a per diem allowance for any travel made in connection with duties as members of the Committee.

Nomination Package Requirements: Nominations must be typed (12 point font) and 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 willing to serve as a member of the Committee; (2) the nominee's contact information, including name, mailing address, telephone numbers, and email address; and (3) the nominee's resume or curriculum vitae that is no more than four pages in length. The cover letter must summarize: The nominee's interest in serving on the committee and contributions she/he can make to the work of the committee; any relevant Veterans service activities she/he is currently engaged in; the military branch affiliations and timeframe of military service (if applicable). To promote a balanced membership, please provide information about the nominee's personal and professional qualifications and background that would give her/him a diverse perspective on Gulf War Veterans' matters. Finally, please include in the cover letter a statement confirming that she/he is not a Federally-registered lobbyist. The resume should show professional work experience, and Veterans service involvement, especially service that involves Gulf War Veterans' issues.

VA makes every effort to ensure that the membership of its advisory committees is fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented and the committee's function. Appointments to

this Committee shall be made without discrimination based on a person's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information. Nominations must state that the nominee appears to have no conflict of interest that would preclude membership. An ethics review is conducted for each selected nominee.

Dated: January 25, 2018.

LaTonya L. Small,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–NEW]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Evaluation of Patient and Provider Satisfaction With Mental Health-Clinical Pharmacy Specialists in Outpatient Mental Health Clinics at the Madison VA

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian McCarthy at (202) 615–9241.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must