

§ 4A1.2(k) for conduct constituting a violation of a condition of supervision that does not result in an arrest, criminal charge, or conviction for a federal, state, or local offense punishable by a term of imprisonment (other than an arrest for the violation of the condition of supervision itself); and (B) whether a downward departure may be warranted in cases in which prior sentences for misdemeanor and felony offenses arising from the same arrest or criminal conduct are considered separate sentences under § 4A1.2(a)(2).

(8) Resolution of circuit conflicts as warranted, pursuant to the Commission's authority under 28 U.S.C. 991(b)(1)(B) and *Braxton v. United States*, 500 U.S. 344 (1991).

(9) Consideration of other miscellaneous issues, including possible amendments to § 1B1.10 (Reduction in Term of Imprisonment as a Result of Amended Guideline Range (Policy Statement)) in light of *Koons v. United States*, 138 S. Ct. 1783 (2018).

**Authority:** 28 U.S.C. 994(a), (o); USSC Rules of Practice and Procedure 5.2.

**William H. Pryor Jr.,**

*Acting Chair.*

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## UNITED STATES SENTENCING COMMISSION

### Request for Applications; Victims Advisory Group

**AGENCY:** United States Sentencing Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In view of upcoming vacancies in the membership of the Victims Advisory Group, the United States Sentencing Commission hereby invites any individual who has knowledge, expertise, or experience in federal crime victimization to apply to be appointed to the advisory group. An applicant for membership in the Victims Advisory Group should apply by sending a letter of interest and resume to the Commission as indicated in the addresses section below. Application materials should be received by the Commission not later than October 31, 2018.

**DATES:** Application materials for membership in the Victims Advisory Group should be received not later than October 31, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** An applicant for membership in the Victims Advisory Group should apply by sending a letter of interest and resume to the

Commission by electronic mail or regular mail. The email address is [pubaffairs@ussc.gov](mailto:pubaffairs@ussc.gov). The regular mail address is United States Sentencing Commission, One Columbus Circle NE, Suite 2-500, South Lobby, Washington, DC 20002-8002, Attention: Public Affairs—VAG Membership.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Christine Leonard, Director, Office of Legislative and Public Affairs, (202) 502-4500, [pubaffairs@ussc.gov](mailto:pubaffairs@ussc.gov). More information about the Victims Advisory Group is available on the Commission's website at [www.ussc.gov/advisory-groups](http://www.ussc.gov/advisory-groups).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Victims Advisory Group is a standing advisory group of the United States Sentencing Commission pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 995 and Rule 5.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Under the charter for the advisory group, the purpose of the advisory group is (1) to assist the Commission in carrying out its statutory responsibilities under 28 U.S.C. 994(o); (2) to provide to the Commission its views on the Commission's activities and work, including proposed priorities and amendments, as they relate to victims of crime; (3) to disseminate information regarding sentencing issues to organizations represented by the Victims Advisory Group and to other victims of crime and victims advocacy groups, as appropriate; and (4) to perform any other functions related to victims of crime as the Commission requests. The advisory group consists of not more than nine members, each of whom may serve not more than two consecutive three-year terms. Each member is appointed by the Commission.

The Commission invites any individual who has knowledge, expertise, or experience in federal crime victimization to apply to be appointed to the Victims Advisory Group by sending a letter of interest and a resume to the Commission as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** section above.

**Authority:** 28 U.S.C. 994(a), (o), (p), 995; USSC Rules of Practice and Procedure 5.4.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Advisory Committee on Women Veterans, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans (Committee) will conduct a site visit on September 10-14, 2018, in Chicago, IL. Sessions are open to the public, except when the Committee is conducting tours of VA facilities, participating in off-site events, and participating in workgroup sessions. Tours of VA facilities are closed, to protect Veterans' privacy and personal information. The site visit will also include a town hall meeting for women Veterans and those who provide services to women Veterans.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs regarding the needs of women Veterans with respect to health care, rehabilitation, compensation, outreach, and other programs and activities administered by VA designed to meet such needs. The Committee makes recommendations to the Secretary regarding such programs and activities.

On Monday, September 10, the Committee will convene an open session at the Edward Hines Junior Hospital; 5000 5th Avenue Hines, IL 60141, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Room E471. The agenda will include overview briefings from the Edward Hines Junior Hospital leadership on the facilities, programs, demographics, women Veterans programs, and other services available for Veterans in Chicago. In the afternoon, the Committee will reconvene a closed session, as it tours the Edward Hines Junior Hospital.

In the morning of Tuesday, September 11, the Committee will convene an open session at Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center; 30001 Green Bay Road, North Chicago, IL 60064, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The agenda will include overview briefings from the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center leadership on the facilities, programs, demographics, women Veterans programs, and other services available for Veterans. In the afternoon, the Committee will reconvene a closed session, as it tours the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center.

On Wednesday, September 12, the Committee will convene closed sessions, as it tours the Chicago Regional Benefits Office (2122 West Taylor Street Chicago, IL 60612) and the

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery (20953 West Hoff Road, Elwood, IL 60421).

On Thursday, September 13, the Committee will convene an open session at the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center; 820 South Damen Avenue, Chicago, IL 60612, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Prescription Conference Room JB 2446B (2nd Floor, Damen Building). The agenda will include overview briefings from the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center leadership on the facilities, programs, demographics, women Veterans programs, and other services available for Veterans in Chicago. In the afternoon, the Committee will reconvene a closed session, as it tours the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center.

In the morning of Friday, September 14, the Committee will convene an open session at the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center; 820 South Damen Avenue, Chicago, IL 60612, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the Prescription Conference Room JB 2446B (2nd Floor, Damen Building), as it conducts an out-briefing with leadership from the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center / Edward Hines Junior Hospital / Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center / Chicago Regional Benefits Office / Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. The Committee will reconvene an open session in the Prescription Conference Room JB 2446B (2nd Floor, Damen Building), as it participates in a town hall meeting with the women Veterans and other stakeholders. The town hall meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end promptly at 11:00 a.m.

With the exception of the town hall meeting, there will be no time for public comment during the meeting. Members of the public may submit written statements for the Committee's review to [00W@mail.va.gov](mailto:00W@mail.va.gov), or by fax at (202) 273-7092. Any member of the public and media wishing to attend or seeking

additional information should contact Shannon L. Middleton at (202) 461-6193, or [00W@mail.va.gov](mailto:00W@mail.va.gov).

Dated: August 23, 2018.

**Jelessa M. Burney**,  
Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Cost-Based and Inter-Agency Billing Rates for Medical Care or Services Provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs**

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.  
**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document updates the Cost-Based and Inter-Agency billing rates for medical care or services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) furnished in certain circumstances.

**DATES:** The rates set forth herein are effective August 28, 2018 and until further notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Romona Greene, Office of Community Care, Revenue Operations, Payer Relations and Services, Rates and Charges (10D1C1), Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 382-2521. (This is not a toll free number.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** VA's methodology for computing Cost-Based and Inter-Agency rates for medical care or services provided by VA is set forth in 38 CFR 17.102(h). Two sets of rates are obtained by applying this methodology, Cost-Based and Inter-Agency.

In accordance with 38 CFR 17.102(a), (b), (d), and (g) respectively, Cost-Based

rates apply to medical care and services that are provided by VA:

- In error or based on tentative eligibility,
- In a medical emergency,
- To pensioners of allied nations; and
- For research purposes in circumstances under which the medical care appropriation shall be reimbursed from the research appropriation.

In accordance with 38 CFR 17.102(c) and (f), Inter-Agency rates apply to medical care and services that are provided by VA to beneficiaries of the Department of Defense or other Federal agencies, when the care or services provided is not covered by an applicable sharing agreement, unless otherwise stated.

The calculations for the Cost-Based and Inter-Agency rates are the same with two exceptions. Inter-Agency rates are all-inclusive, are not broken down into three components (Physician; Ancillary; and Nursing, Room, and Board), and do not include standard fringe benefit costs that cover Government employee retirement, disability costs, and return on fixed assets. When VA pays for medical care or services from a non-VA source under circumstances in which the Cost-Based or Inter-Agency rates would apply if the care or services had been provided by VA, the charge for such care or services will be the actual amount paid by VA for the care or services. Inpatient charges will be at the per diem rates shown for the type of bed section or discrete treatment unit providing the care.

The following table depicts the Cost-Based and Inter-Agency rates that are effective upon publication of this notice and will remain in effect until the next **Federal Register** notice is published. These rates supersede those established by the **Federal Register** notice published on August, 29 2017, at 82 FR 41093.

	Cost-Based rates	Inter-Agency rates
<b>A. Hospital Care per inpatient day:</b>		
General Medicine:		
All Inclusive Rate .....	\$4,025	\$3,882
Physician .....	482	
Ancillary .....	1,049	
Nursing Room and Board .....	2,494	
Neurology:		
All Inclusive Rate .....	3,805	3,664
Physician .....	557	
Ancillary .....	1,005	
Nursing Room and Board .....	2,243	
Rehabilitation Medicine:		
All Inclusive Rate .....	2,749	2,641
Physician .....	312	
Ancillary .....	840	
Nursing Room and Board .....	1,597	