

OIG; (4) performing pre- or post-payment reviews of claims paid or submitted; or (5) taking disciplinary actions or removing, demoting, or suspending VA internal providers.

Categories of Individuals: VA internal and external health care providers will be matched against the database of Medicare providers who have been revoked by CMS under 42 CFR 424.535. “Provider” is defined by 42 CFR 400.202 as a “hospital, a Critical Access Hospital, a skilled nursing facility, a comprehensive outpatient rehabilitation facility, a home health agency, or a hospice that has in effect an agreement to participate in Medicare, or a clinic, a rehabilitation agency, or a public health agency that has in effect a similar agreement but only to furnish outpatient physical therapy or speech pathology services, or a community mental health center that has in effect a similar agreement but only to furnish partial hospitalization services.”

Categories of Records: VA will provide CMS electronic files, in a format defined by CMS, containing identifying information required to match VA records with CMS records. Data fields will include one or more of the following elements: (1) Name of Provider/Business; (2) Tax Identification Number (TIN) (EIN, ITIN or SSN); (3) National Provider Identifier (NPI); (4) State(s) in which the provider is providing services; and (5) Specialty Code or Taxonomy Code. Upon matching the TIN or NPI, CMS will provide VA the matched data elements above and the following additional fields: (1) NPI (for individuals) where VA provided a TIN; (2) Current Enrollment Status; (3) Current Enrollment Status Effective Date; (4) Status Reason (PECOS codes used to denote the specific reason(s) on which the final revocation was based); and (5) All NPIs associated with a revoked TIN to include all above fields (1–4) and Enrollment State, Specialty, Role, Enrollment Bar status, and Enrollment Bar Expiration Date (if applicable).

System(s) of Records: VA will provide information covered by SOR 77VA10E2E, *Health Care Provider Credentialing and Privileging Records-VA*, last published in full at 85 FR 7395 (February 7, 2020), routine uses 1 and 2; SOR 23VA10NB3, *Non-VA Care (Fee) Records-VA*, last published in full at 80 FR 45590 (July 30, 2015), routine use 2 and 30; SOR 02VA135, *Applicants for Employment under Title 38, U.S.C.-VA*, last published in full at 42 FR 49728 (September 27, 1977), and updated at 51 FR 25969 (July 17, 1986), 55 FR 42534 (October 19, 1990), and 58 FR 40852 (July 30, 1993), see routine uses 1 and

2 published at 42 FR 49728; and SOR 186VA10D, entitled “Community Care Provider Profile Management System,” last published in full at 86 FR 6979 (January 25, 2021). See routine use 10. CMS will provide information covered by Provider Enrollment Chain and Ownership System (PECOS), System No. 09–70–0532, last published in full at 71 FR 60536 (Oct. 13, 2006) and updated at 78 FR 32257 (May 29, 2013) and 83 FR 6591 (Feb. 14, 2018), see routine use 6 published at 71 FR 60536 and the unnumbered routine use published at 78 FR 32257; and National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES), System No. 09–70–0555, last published in full at 75 FR 30411 (June 1, 2010) and updated at 78 FR 32257 (May 29, 2013) and 83 FR 6591 (Feb. 14, 2018), see routine use 5 published at 75 FR 30411 and the unnumbered routine use published at 78 FR 32257.

Signing Authority

The Senior Agency Official for Privacy, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. John Oswalt, Chief Privacy Officer and Chair of the Data Integrity Board, Department of Veterans Affairs approved this document on August 27, 2024 for publication.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans Rural Health Advisory Committee, Amended, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. ch. 10, that the Veterans Rural Health Advisory Committee will hold its face-to-face meeting at the American Legion Build, 1608 K St. NW, Washington, DC 20006 on Thursday October 24, 2024. The meeting will convene at 8 a.m., eastern standard time (EST) and adjourn at 4:30 p.m. EST. The meeting sessions are open to the public. Additionally, a meeting link is available for individuals who cannot attend in person and would like to join online. The meeting can be

accessed through the <https://veteransaffairs.webex.com/veteransaffairs/j.php?MTID=m362183abee8a40616be272e42b86ac9b> or by telephone, +1–404–397–1596, Conference ID 2820 022 4291.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of VA on rural health care issues affecting Veterans. The Committee examines programs and policies that impact the delivery of VA rural health care to Veterans and discusses ways to improve and enhance VA access to rural health care services for Veterans.

The agenda will include updates from Department leadership; the Executive Director, VA Office of Rural Health; and the Committee Chair; as well as presentations by subject-matter experts on general rural health care access.

Time will be allocated for receiving public comments on October 24, 2024, at 5 p.m. EDT. Interested parties should contact Mr. Paul Boucher, by email at paul.boucher@va.gov, at (207) 458–7129, or send by mail to 810 Vermont Avenue NW (12RH), ATTN: VRHAC Committee, Washington, DC 20420 no later than close of business on October 14, 2024. Individuals wishing to speak are invited to submit a 1–2-page summary of their comment for inclusion in the official meeting record no later than close of business on October 14, 2024. Any member of the public seeking additional information should contact Mr. Boucher at the email address noted above or 207–458–7129.

Dated: October 3, 2024.

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Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Department of Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service National Advisory Committee, Notice of Meeting, Amended

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. ch. 10, that the Executive Committee of the VA Voluntary Service (VAVS) National Advisory Committee (NAC) will meet October 24–25, 2024 at the Disabled American Veterans Washington Headquarters located at 1300 I Street NW, Suite 400 West, Washington, DC 20005. The meeting sessions will begin and end as follows: