

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request on Information Collection Tools Relating to Wage and Investment Behavioral Laboratory Customer Surveys and Support**

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning the collection of qualitative feedback on agency service delivery.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 25, 2016 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Tuawana Pinkston, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224. Please send separate comments for each specific information collection listed below. You must reference the information collection's title, form number, reporting or record-keeping requirement number, and OMB number (if any) in your comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the collection tools should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202)622–3634, or through the internet at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Currently, the IRS is seeking comments concerning the following information collection tools, reporting, and record-keeping requirements:

Title: Wage and Investment Behavioral Laboratory Customer Surveys and Support.

OMB Number: 1545–NEW. *Form Number:* N/A.

Abstract: Executive Order 12862 directs Federal agencies to provide service to the public that matches or exceeds the best service available in the private sector. Executive Order 13571 expands on this concept to include recent developments in private sector

advances in internet customer service technologies. To assist the Agency is accomplishing the goal outlined in the Strategic Plan, the Wage and Investment Division continuously maintains a “customer-first” focus through routinely soliciting information concerning the needs and characteristics of its customers and implementing programs based on the information received. W&I Strategies and Solutions (WISS) is developing the implementation of a Behavioral Laboratory to identify, plan and deliver business improvement processes that support fulfillment of the IRS strategic goals.

Current Actions: This is a new request for OMB approval.

Type of Review: New collection.

Affected Public: This collection of information is necessary to enable the Agency to garner customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with our commitment to improving service delivery. The information collected from our customers and stakeholders will help ensure that users have an effective, efficient, and satisfying experience with the Agency's programs. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. It will also allow feedback to contribute directly to the improvement of program management.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 25,200.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 hr.
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 22,050.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the

agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: August 18, 2016.

Tuawana Pinkston,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Veterans Rural Health Advisory Committee**

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Office of Rural Health, is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to the Veterans Rural Health Advisory Committee (VRHAC). The Committee advises the Secretary on ways to improve and enhance access to VA healthcare services for enrolled Veterans residing in rural areas and the identification of barriers to providing services. The Committee makes recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities. Nominations of qualified candidates are being sought to fill upcoming vacancies on the Committee.

DATES: Nominations for membership on the Committee must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on December 15, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Nominations should be submitted to the VA Office of Rural Health by email at VRHAC@va.gov or via United States Postal Service to VA Office of Rural Health, 810 Vermont Ave., Mail Code 10P1R, Washington, DC 20420.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: VA Office of Rural Health, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Ave. NW., Mail Code 10P1R, Washington, DC 20420, or by telephone at (202) 632–8576. A list of the current membership can be viewed at <http://www.ruralhealth.va.gov/aboutus/vrhac.asp>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established by direction of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 2. The Committee consists of 12 Members representing federal agencies appointed by the Secretary of VA and 4 appointed Ex Officio members. The Committee is tasked with examining ways to enhance health care services for Veterans in rural areas. The Committee works in collaboration with the VA Office of Rural Health (ORH) to discuss programs and policies that impact the provision of VA health care services to Veterans in rural areas. The Committee hosts a minimum of two Advisory meetings a year and provides recommendations to the VA Secretary.

Membership Criteria: Nominee must understand issues and/or policy affecting rural Veterans, their families, and the rural communities where they live. Nominee must be familiar with healthcare services, delivery of care in rural areas, and benefits issues as they pertain to rural Veterans. Members of the Committee meet in person twice a year and may meet at other times by teleconference as needed. Members serve an initial three-year term and the Secretary may reappoint members for additional terms of service. During the course of their terms, Committee members are expected to attend all meetings and to contribute their time and expertise to Committee projects. It is the potential candidate's responsibility to identify possible conflict(s) of interest that might affect their objectivity and recommendations submitted to the Secretary. If a potential conflict is identified, detailed information about the possible conflict such as employment, research grants and/or contracts must be provided to permit evaluation of possible conflicts of interest.

Professional Qualifications: Nominee must have experience working on Veterans' policy issues at the local, state or regional level; and have an understanding of how the rural healthcare delivery system operates.

Requirements for Nomination Submission: Nominations should be type written (one nomination per nominator). Nomination package should 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 a willingness to serve as a member of the Committee; (2) the nominee's contact information,

including name, mailing address, telephone numbers, and email address; (3) the nominee's curriculum vitae or resume, and (4) a summary of the nominee's experience and qualification relative to the professional qualifications criteria listed above. Self-nominations are welcome. Third-party nominations must indicate that the nominee has been contacted and is willing to serve.

Membership Terms: Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee shall be invited to serve a three-year term. Committee members will receive a stipend for attending Committee meetings, including per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses incurred.

The Department makes every effort to ensure that the membership of its Federal advisory committees is fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented and the committee's function. Every effort is made to ensure that a broad representation of geographic areas, males and females, racial and ethnic minority groups, and the disabled are given consideration for membership. Appointment to this Committee shall be made without discrimination because of a person's race, color, religion, sex (including gender identity, transgender status, sexual orientation, and pregnancy), national origin, age, disability, or genetic information. Nominations must state that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of the Committee and appears to have no conflict of interest that would preclude membership. An ethics review is conducted for each selected nominee.

Authority: The Committee was established in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 2.

Dated: August 23, 2016.

LaTonya L. Small,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, that a meeting of the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation (VACOR) will be held on Thursday, September 15, and Friday, September 16, 2016 in Room 4E400 at the Department of Veterans Affairs' Board of Veterans' Appeals Conference Room,

425 I Street NW., Washington, DC 20001. The meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. (EST) each day and adjourn at 5:00 p.m. (EST) on September 15 and at 1:00 p.m. (EST) on September 16, 2016. The meeting will be partially closed to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary on the rehabilitation needs of Veterans with disabilities and on the administration of VA's rehabilitation programs.

On September 15, 2016, the Committee will meet in closed session. The Committee will discuss nominees for the office of Vice-Chair of the Committee for the one-year term from September 2016 through September 2017. During the closed session, the Committee will also meet with the VA Office of General Counsel. These discussions will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Closing the meeting is in compliance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6).

On September 16, 2016, the Committee will meet in open session from 8:00 a.m. (EST) to 1:00 p.m. (EST). During the meeting, Committee members will be provided updated briefings on various VA programs designed to enhance the rehabilitative potential of disabled Veterans. Members will also begin consideration of potential recommendations to be included in the Committee's next annual report.

Although no time will be allocated for receiving oral presentations from the public, members of the public may submit written statements for review by the Committee to Anthony Estelle, Designated Federal Officer, Veterans Benefits Administration (28), 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, or via email at anthony.estelle@va.gov. In the communication, writers must identify themselves and state the organization, association or person(s) they represent. Individuals who wish to attend the meeting should RSVP to Anthony Estelle at (202) 461-9912, no later than close of business, September 7, 2016. Because the meeting is being held in a government building, a photo I.D. must be presented at the Guard's Desk as a part of the clearance process. Due to an increase in security protocols, and in order to prevent delays in clearance processing, you should allow an additional 30 minutes before the meeting begins. Any member of the public seeking additional information should contact Anthony Estelle at the phone number or email address noted above.