public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

DATES: The meeting will be held Wednesday, October 26, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Vinci at 1–888–912–1227 or 916–974–5086.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Joint Committee will be held Wednesday, October 26, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time via teleconference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. For more information please contact: Kim Vinci at 1–888–912–1227 or 916–974–5086, TAP Office, 4330 Watt Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821, or contact us at the Web site: http://www.improveirs.org.

The agenda will include a discussion on various letters, and other issues related to written communications from the IRS.

Dated: September 6, 2016.

Theresa Singleton, Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Taxpayer Communications Project Committee

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Taxpayer Communications Project Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, October 20, 2016.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Taxpayer Communications Project Committee will be held Thursday, October 20, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time via teleconference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate must be made with Antoinette Ross. For more information please contact: Antoinette Ross at 1–888–912–1227 or (202) 317–4110, or write TAP Office, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 1509, National Office, Washington, DC 20224, or contact us at the Web site: http://www.improveirs.org.

The agenda will include a discussion on various issues related to Taxpayer Communications and public input is welcome.

Dated: September 6, 2016.

Theresa Singleton, Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92–463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans will be held Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, September 27–29, 2016. The meeting on Tuesday will be conducted in Conference Room 730 at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420. The meeting on Thursday will be conducted in Conference Room 428 at the Readjustment Counseling Service (RCS) Headquarters Offices located at 1717 H Street NW., Washington DC 20006. The agenda for these two days will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. The meeting on both days is open to the public.

The meeting on Wednesday will be conducted at two VA Vet Centers located in Alexandria, VA and Prince George County, MD. The latter meetings will include interviews with Veteran consumers and will be closed to the public. Portions of these visits are closed to the public in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6). Exemption 6 permits to Committee to close those portions of a meeting that are likely to disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. During the closed sessions the Committee will discuss VA beneficiary and patient information in which there is a clear unwarranted invasion of the Veteran or beneficiary privacy.

The purpose of the Committee is to review the post-war readjustment needs of combat Veterans and to evaluate the availability and effectiveness of VA programs to meet Veterans’ needs.
On September 27, the Committee will be briefed on current directions and priorities for serving the Nation’s war Veterans. The Committee will also be briefed by the Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Health on new directions of care in Veterans Health Administration (VHA) and the coordination of VA healthcare with readiness counseling.

The September 27 will also include briefings on the current activities of the Readjustment Counseling Service (RCS) Vet Centers to include the full scope of outreach and readiness counseling services provided to combat Veterans, Service members and families. The briefing will focus on the coordination of Vet Center services with VHA health care, mental health, and social work services. The Committee will also receive briefings from VHA mental health program officials focusing on the key role of mental health services for the psychological, social, and economic readjustment of combat Veterans.

On September 27, Committee members will conduct onsite visits at two Vet Centers to meet with groups of Veteran consumers and with VHA service providers from the Vet Centers and the support VA medical facilities.

On September 29 the Committee will receive briefings from additional VHA program officials representing key programs of specific value for the post-war readjustment of Veterans, Service members and family members. The agenda for September 29 will conclude with a Committee strategic planning session for developing the observations and conclusions for the annual Committee Report.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. However, members of the public may direct written questions or submit prepared statements for review by the Committee before the meeting to Mr. Charles M. Flora, L.C.S.W–C., Designated Federal Officer, Readjustment Counseling Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420. Because the meeting will be in a Government building, please provide valid photo identification for check-in. Please allow 30 minutes before the meeting for the check-in process. If you plan to attend or have questions concerning the meeting, please contact Mr. Flora at (202) 461–6525 or by email at charles.flora@va.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and Special-Disabilities Programs; 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 Federal Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and Special-Disabilities Programs will be held on October 4–5, 2016, in Room 630 at VA Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420. The meeting will convene at 8:30 a.m. on both days, and will adjourn at 4:30 p.m. on October 4 and at 12 noon on October 5. This meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of VA on VA’s prosthetics programs designed to provide state-of-the-art prosthetics and the associated rehabilitation research, development, and evaluation of such technology. The Committee also provides advice to the Secretary on special-disabilities programs, which are defined as any program administered by the Secretary to serve Veterans with spinal cord injuries, blindness or visual impairments, loss of extremities or loss of function, deafness or hearing impairment, and other serious incapacities in terms of daily life functions.

On October 4, the Committee will receive briefings from the National Veterans Sports Programs and Adaptive Sports Grants, Audiology & Speech Pathology, Rehabilitation Research and Development, Prosthetic and Sensory Aids, Blind Rehabilitation Services and Telemedicine. On October 5, the Committee members will receive Ethics Training, discuss administrative matters, and deliberate actions internal to the Committee.

No time will be allocated for receiving oral presentations from the public; however, members of the public may direct questions or submit written statements for review by the Committee in advance of the meeting to Judy Schafer, Ph.D., Designated Federal Officer, Veterans Health Administration, Patient Care Services, Rehabilitation and Prosthetic Services (10P4R), VA, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, or by email at Judy.Schafer@va.gov. 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. Therefore, you should allow an additional 30 minutes before the meeting begins. Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting should contact Dr. Schafer at (202) 461–7315.

Dated: September 8, 2016.

LaTonya L. Small,
Advisory Committee Management Office.
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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Reasonable Charges for Inpatient MS–DRGs and SNF Medical Services; v3.19, Fiscal Year 2017 Update

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document updates the acute inpatient and the skilled nursing facility (SNF)/sub-acute inpatient facility charges. The updated charges are based on the 2017 Medicare severity diagnosis related groups (MS–DRG).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Romona Greene, Office of Community Care, Revenue Operations, Consolidated Patient Account Center (CPAC) Rates and Charges (10D1C), Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 382–2521. (This is not a toll free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 17.101 of Title 38 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) sets forth the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medical regulations concerning “Reasonable Charges” for medical care or services provided or furnished by VA to a veteran: for a nonservice-connected disability for which the veteran is entitled to care (or the payment of expenses of care) under a health plan contract; for a nonservice-connected disability incurred incident to the veteran’s employment and covered under a worker’s compensation law or plan that provides reimbursement or indemnification for such care and services; or, for a nonservice-connected disability incurred as a result of a motor vehicle accident in a State that requires automobile accident reparations insurance. The methodologies for establishing billed amounts for several types of charges are found in 38 CFR 17.101; however, this notice will only address the acute inpatient and the SNF/sub-acute inpatient facility charges.

Based on the methodologies set forth in 38 CFR 17.101(b), this notice updates the acute inpatient facility charges that were based on the 2016 MS–DRGs. Acute inpatient facility charges by MS–