DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee: National Academic Affiliations Council, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the National Academic Affiliations Council (NAAC) will be held September 17, 2018–September 18, 2018 in the VA Office of Academic Affiliations Conference Room 4040, 4th Floor, 811 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420. The September 17th session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m.; and on September 18, 2018, the session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn by 4:15 p.m. The meetings are open to the public.

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Secretary on matters affecting partnerships between VA and its academic affiliates.

On September 17, 2018, the Council will review the status of its previous recommendations and receive an informational briefing on the modernization of VA’s electronic health record. The Council will explore the recent activities of the NAAC Diversity and Inclusion Subcommittee and have an open discussion with Dr. Carolyn Clancy, Former Executive in Charge and currently assigned oversight responsibilities for the Offices of Academic Affiliations and Research and Development. NAAC members will receive presentations on VA’s Care in the Community program and new VA programs for licensing space from community partners.

On September 18, 2018, the Council will explore the VA Telehealth Program and related educational issues. NAAC members will get brief updates on items of continued interest such as the waiver processes for those VA employees having relationships with for-profit educational institutions. During the afternoon, the Council will focus its attention on rural health and various new authorities and programs conferred by the MISSION Act. The Council will receive public comments from 4:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on September 17, 2018 and again at or before 3:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on September 18, 2018.

Interested persons may attend and present oral statements to the Council. A sign-in sheet for those who want to have comments will be available at the meeting. Individuals who speak are invited to submit a 1–2-page summary of their comments at the time of the meeting for inclusion in the official meeting record. Oral presentations will be limited to five minutes or less, depending on the number of participants. Interested parties may also provide written comments for review by the Council prior to the meeting or at any time, via email to, Steve.Trynosky@va.gov, or by mail to Stephen K. Trynosky JD, MPH, MMAS, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Academic Affiliations (10A2D), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420. Any member of the public wishing to attend or seeking additional information should contact Mr. Trynosky via email or by phone at (202) 461–6723. Because the meeting will be held in a Government building, anyone attending must be prepared to submit to security screening and present a valid photo I.D. Please allow at least 15 minutes prior to the meeting for this process.

Dated: August 20, 2018.

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Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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[OMB Control No. 2900–0674]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Notice of Disagreement: Appeal to the Board of Veterans’ Appeals

AGENCY: Board of Veterans’ Appeals, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Board of Veterans’ Appeals, 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 October 22, 2018.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Sue Hamlin, BVA, (01C2), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420 or email to sue.hamlin@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0674” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sue Hamlin at (202) 632–5100.

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, BVA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of BVA’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of BVA’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.


Title: Notice of Disagreement (NOD)/Appeal to the Board of Veterans’ Appeals, VA Form 10182 and VA Form 9.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0674.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Appellate review of the denial of VA benefits may only be initiated by filing a Notice of Disagreement with the Board. 38 U.S.C. 7105(a). The VA Form 9, “Appeal to Board of Veterans’ Appeals,” is required to complete a legacy appeal to the Board. The completed form becomes the “substantive appeal” (or “formal appeal”), which is required by 38 U.S.C. 7105(a) and (d)(3) in order to complete an appeal to the Board. Additionally, the proposed information collections allow for withdrawal of services by a representative, requests for changes in hearing dates and methods under 38...