

a contract or agreement to conduct such reviews, as relevant and necessary for the purpose of program review or the seeking of accreditation or certification.

20. VA may disclose ethics consultation records to groups (e.g., American Society for Bioethics and the Humanities) performing improvement or quality assessments as part of approved research or quality improvement projects with respect to ethics consultation practices.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:

Records are maintained on the VA Salesforce Government Cloud (i.e., Federal Risk Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP) certified cloud). Subsidiary record information is maintained at the various respective Integrated Ethics services within the VHA healthcare facility and by individuals, organizations, and/or agencies with whom VA has a contract or agreement to perform such services, as the VA may deem practicable.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:

Records are retrieved by record number, name of ethics consultant and other VA staff, requester, ethics domain or topic, facility, keywords or phrases.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:

Records that are stored within Computerized Patient Record System (CPRS) and Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture (VistA) will be maintained in accordance with Record Control Schedule (RCS) 10–1 Item 6000.2, Electronic Health Records, NARA job# N1–15–02–3. All other records maintained outside the Electronic Health Record will be maintained in accordance with General Records Schedule (GRS) 2.8 Ethics Program Records Item 010.

ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:

Salesforce Government Cloud is maintaining underlying physical infrastructure. Additional ISA and MOU are required between the VA and VA designated contractors/vendors that own the data that is stored or processed within Salesforce Development Platform VA. The vendor-specific agreements will describe the data ownership and storage requirements. The parties agree that transmission, storage and management of VA sensitive information residing in the Salesforce Development Platform VA is the sole responsibility of VA employees or designated contractors/vendors assigned

to manage the system. At no time will Salesforce Government Cloud have any access to VA data residing within the Salesforce Development Platform VA. Thus, all agreements on data and system responsibilities shall not be covered in this base agreement (i.e., MOU). However, Salesforce Government Cloud shall provide the tools to allow VA to properly secure all systems and data hosted in the Salesforce Development Platform VA.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking information regarding access to and contesting of records in this system may write, call or visit the VA healthcare facility location where they are or were employed or made contact or they may write to the National Center for Ethics in Health Care at 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

(See Record Access Procedures above.)

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking information regarding access to and contesting of IEWeb records may write, call, or visit the last VA healthcare facility where healthcare was provided or by writing to the National Center for Ethics in Health Care at 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420.

EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

HISTORY:

Last full publication provided in 81 FR 5033 dated January 29, 2016.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0609]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Survey of Veteran Enrollees' Health and Use of Health Care

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for

review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0609.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 1717 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 266–4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0609” in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521.

Title: Survey of Veteran Enrollees' Health and Use of Health Care.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0609.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The VA Survey of Veteran Enrollees' Health and Use of Health Care gathers information from Veterans enrolled in the VA Health Care System about factors that influence their health care utilization choices. Data collected are used to gain insights into Veteran preferences and to provide VA and Veterans Health Administration (VHA) management guidance in preparing for future Veteran needs. In addition to factors influencing health care choices, the data collected include enrollees' perceived health status and need for assistance, available insurances, self-reported utilization of VA services versus other health care services, reasons for using VA, barriers to seeking care, ability and comfort level with accessing virtual care, as well as general demographics and family characteristics that may influence utilization but cannot be accessed elsewhere. Information provided through the survey supports critical VA policy decisions.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at: 86 FR 182 on September 23, 2021, pages 52948 and 52949.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.
Estimated Annual Burden: 14,000 hours.
Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 20 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Once annually.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 42,000.

By direction of the Secretary.
Maribel Aponte,
VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.
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