

similar documents, and the medical records of patients who are study subjects, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As provided by section 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, as amended, closing portions of this meeting is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (c)(9)(B).

Those who plan to attend should contact Dr. Grant Huang, Deputy Director, Cooperative Studies Program (125), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, at (202) 254-0183.

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By Direction of the Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans will meet November 5-7, 2007, at the Hyatt Arlington, Gallery Conference Room, 1325 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA. On November 5 and 6 the sessions will be from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on November 8 from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary on the administration of VA benefits and services to minority veterans, to assess the needs of minority veterans and to evaluate whether VA compensation, medical and rehabilitation services, outreach, and other programs are meeting those needs. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

On November 5, the agenda will include briefings and updates on the Center for Minority Veterans, VA Strategic Plan, and the presentation of Certificates of Appointment to six Committee members. On November 6,

the agenda will include briefings and updates on Faith-Based Initiatives, Veterans Health Administration, Mental Health Initiatives, Homeless Veterans Program, Center for Women Veterans, and Statistics of Minority VA Employees. On November 7, the agenda will include briefings and updates on the Veterans Benefits Administration, Office of Research and Development, National Cemetery Administration, Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization. The agenda will also include an OEF/OIF "Soldier to Veteran" panel. On November 8, the agenda will include a briefing and update on collaboration between VA and the Indian Health Service. The Committee will also review and analyze comments presented during the meeting and will discuss future site visits and areas of focus.

Any member of the public wishing to attend should contact Ms. Juanita J. Mullen, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Center for Minority Veterans (00M), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Ms. Mullen may be contacted either by phone at (202) 461-6191, fax at (202) 273-7092, or e-mail at Juanita.mullen@va.gov. Interested persons may attend, appear before, or file statements with the Committee. Written statements must be filed before the meeting, or within 10 days after the meeting.

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Advisory Committee on OIF/OEF Veterans and Families; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Advisory Committee on OIF/OEF Veterans and Families will meet on November 6-8, 2007, at the Capitol Hilton Hotel, 1001 16th Street, NW., Washington. On November 6, the

session will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. On November 7, the session will be from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. On November 8, the session will be from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the full spectrum of health care, benefits delivery and related family support issues that confront servicemembers during their transition from active duty to veteran status and during their post-service years. The Committee will focus on the concerns of all men and women with active military service in Operation Iraqi Freedom and/or Operation Enduring Freedom, but will pay particular attention to severely disabled veterans and their families.

The agenda for the November 6-8 meeting will consist primarily of Committee deliberations as it begins to draft an interim report to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and consider its work and strategic plans for the future. The Committee will discuss its findings and observations based on previous Committee meetings, site visits, written reports and personal experiences.

The meeting will include time reserved for public comments. Individuals wishing to make oral statements must pre-register not later than November 2, 2007 by contacting Tiffany Glover by e-mail at tiffany.glover@va.gov and by submitting a 1-2 page summary of their statements for inclusion in the official record of the meeting. Oral statements by the public will be limited to five minutes each and will be received at 4 p.m.-4:30 p.m. on November 7 and 8. The public may also submit written statements for the Committee's review to the Advisory Committee on OIF/OEF Veterans and Families (008), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420.

Anyone seeking additional information should contact Ronald Thomas, Esq., Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 273-5182.

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