

10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. You can make an appointment to inspect statements by telephoning (202) 622-2000. All statements received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

Tentative Agenda/Topics for Discussion: This will be the second FOCI meeting of 2021. In this meeting, the Subcommittee Addressing the Protection Gap Through Public-Private Partnerships and Other Mechanisms will lead discussions related to wildfire risk and related topics, and the Preparedness Workstream of the Subcommittee on COVID-19 will lead an ongoing discussion on topics related to preparing for future pandemics. The FOCI will also receive status updates from each of its subcommittees and an update from FIO on its activities and consider any new business.

Dated: April 28, 2021.

Stephanie Schmelz,
Deputy Director, Federal Insurance Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Cost of Living Adjustments

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is hereby giving notice of Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA) in certain benefit rates. These COLAs affect the Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) Program. The rate of the adjustment is tied to the increase in Social Security benefits effective December 1, 2020, as announced by the Social Security Administration (SSA). SSA has announced an increase of 1.3%.

DATES: The increases in amounts became effective December 1, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terrence Minyard, Program Analyst, Pension and Fiduciary Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, Telephone (202) 632-8862. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the provisions of Public Law 116-178 "Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living

Adjustment Act of 2020," VA is required to increase, effective December 1, 2020, the benefit rates of DIC programs by the same percentage as increases in the benefit amounts payable under title II of the Social Security Act. VA is required to publish notice of the increased rates in the **Federal Register**.

SSA has announced a 1.3% COLA increase in Social Security benefits effective December 1, 2020. Therefore, applying the same percentage, the following increased rates and income limitations for the DIC program became effective December 1, 2020:

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Monthly Payment Rates

DIC Payable to a Surviving Spouse—Veteran Death On or After January 1, 1993

Basic Monthly Rate: \$1,357.56

If at the time of the Veteran's death, the Veteran was in receipt of or entitled to receive compensation for a service-connected disability rated totally disabling (including a rating based on individual unemployability) for a continuous period of at least 8 years immediately preceding death AND the surviving spouse was married to the Veteran for those same 8 years, add: \$288.27.

For each dependent child under the age of 18, add: \$336.32.

If the surviving spouse is entitled to Aid and Attendance benefits, add \$336.32.

If the surviving spouse is entitled to Housebound benefits, add \$157.55.

If the surviving spouse has one or more children under the age of 18 on the award per 38 U.S.C. 1311(f), add the 2-year transitional benefit of \$289.00.

DIC Payable to a Surviving Spouse—Veteran Death Prior to January 1, 1993

Veteran paygrade	Amount payable
E-1(f)	\$1,357.56
E-2(f)	1,357.56
E-3(a,f)	1,357.56
E-4(f)	1,357.56
E-5(f)	1,357.56
E-6(f)	1,357.56
E-7(g)	1,404.49
E-8(g)	1,482.72
E-9(g)	1,546.40
E-9(b)	1,669.31
W-1(g)	1,433.56
W-2(g)	1,490.53
W-3(g)	1,534.11
W-4(g)	1,623.49
O-1(g)	1,433.56
O-2(g)	1,482.72
O-3(g)	1,584.38
O-4	1,679.35
O-5	1,848.08
O-6	2,083.85

Veteran paygrade	Amount payable
O-7	2,249.19
O-8	2,470.44
O-9	2,642.50
O-10	2,898.37
O-10(c)	3,110.67

(a) Surviving spouse of Aviation Cadet or other service not covered by this table is paid the DIC rate for enlisted E-3.

(b) Veteran who served as Sgt. Major of the Army or Marine Corps, Senior Enlisted Advisor of the Navy, Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force, or Commandant of the Marine Corps, or as Commandant of the Coast Guard.

(c) Veteran served as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Chief of Staff of the Army or Air Force, Chief of Naval Operations, Commandant of the Marine Corps, or as Commandant of the Coast Guard.

(d) If surviving spouse entitled to aid and attendance, add \$336.32; if entitled to housebound, add \$157.55.

(e) Add \$336.32 for each child under 18.

(f) Add \$288.27 if Veteran rated totally disabled for eight continuous years prior to death and surviving spouse was married to Veteran those same eight years.

(g) Base rate is \$1,645.84 if Veteran rated totally disabled eight continuous years prior to death and surviving spouse was married to Veteran those same eight years.

DIC Payable to Children

Surviving Spouse Entitled

For each child over the age of 18 who is attending an approved course of education, the rate is \$284.93.

For each child over the age of 18 who is helpless, the rate is \$573.20.

No Surviving Spouse Entitled

Number of children	Total payable	Each child's share
1	\$573.20	\$573.20
2	824.59	412.30
3	1,076.01	358.67

For each additional child, add \$204.48 to the total payable amount to be paid in equal shares to each child.

For each additional helpless child over 18, add \$336.32 to the amount payable to the helpless child.

Signing Authority

Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on April 27, 2021, and authorized the undersigned to sign and

submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Luvenia Potts,

Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, Office of General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs; Establishment

As required by Section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Veterans Affairs hereby gives notice of the establishment of the Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs. The Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs (Committee) is a statutory committee established as required by the Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 (Pub. L. 116-315) and 38 U.S.C. 547. The Committee operates in accordance with provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

The Committee provides advice and guidance to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on all matters relating to Indian tribes, tribal organizations, Native Hawaiian organizations and Native American Veterans.

The Committee shall be comprised of 15 voting Members selected by the Secretary from among individuals nominated as specified under the subsection below and shall be designated as Special Government Employees:

A. Appointment Authority:

i. At least one member should come from each of the 12 service areas identified by Indian Health Service and said member must be nominated by Indian tribes or tribal organization from that service area.

ii. At least one member of the Committee represents the Native Hawaiian Veteran community nominated by a Native Hawaiian Organization.

iii. At least one member of the Committee represents urban Indian organizations nominated by a national urban Indian organization.

iv. Not fewer than half of the members are Veterans, unless the Secretary determines that an insufficient number of qualified Veterans were nominated.

v. No member of the Committee may be an employee of the Federal Government.

B. Terms/Vacancies: A member of the Committee shall be appointed for a term of two years. If a vacancy occurs, it shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment within 180 days. Additionally, a member may be reappointed for one additional term at the Secretary's discretion.

Any member of the public seeking additional information should contact David C. Ward, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC, via email at David.Ward@va.gov, or (202) 461-7445.

Dated: April 26, 2021.

Jelessa M. Burney,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0530]

Agency Information Collection Activity: 36.4350-Servicing Procedures for Holders

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs. **ACTION:** Notice. **SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits 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. 2900-0530."

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. 2900-0530" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521.

Title: Collection of Information Under 38 CFR 36.4350.

OMB Control Number: OMB 2900-0530.

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Abstract: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Loan Guaranty program guarantees loans made by private lenders to veterans for the purchase, construction, and refinancing of homes owned and occupied by veterans. Under 38 CFR 36.4350, a holder of a loan guaranteed or insured by the VA is required to develop and maintain a loan servicing program.

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 11840 on February 26, 2021, page 11840.

Affected Public: Individuals (employees of servicers making applications).

Estimated Annual Burden: 63 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 1 minute.

Frequency of Response: One-time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 427.

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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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2., that the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education (the Committee) will meet virtually using Microsoft Teams June 9, 2021-June 10, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., EST. The meeting sessions are open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the administration of education and training programs for Veterans, Service members, Reservists, and Dependents of Veterans including programs under