

*Abstract:* The PSTAP Assessment is administered by VA to assess how the TAP training for Transitioning Service members (TSMs) prepares Veterans for civilian life and its effects on long-term Veteran outcomes. This information collection request (ICR) is conducted once per year and is designed as two separate collections which include a Cross-Sectional Survey and a Longitudinal Survey. The survey population for the Cross-Sectional Survey includes all Veterans who meet the criteria at the time of fielding of having separated from the military at six months, one year, and three years prior to the date that surveys. Service members who participated in the Cross-Sectional Survey and voluntarily agreed to participate in the Longitudinal Survey make up the Longitudinal Survey population. VA will use email and mail methods to administer the survey, limiting the burden on respondents. The surveys will be administered to gauge the long-term effectiveness of the Transition Assistance Program (TAP) by: (1) examining the relationship between attendance in TAP courses and the use of VA Benefits; (2) analyzing the effect of participation in TAP courses on the long-term outcomes of Veterans in the broad life domains of employment, education, health and social relationships, financial, social connectivity and overall satisfaction and well-being, and; (3) identifying areas of improvement for TAP and the broader transition process to guide training and/or operational activities aimed at enhancing the quality of service provided to transitioning service members, Veterans, their families and caregivers.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 5,954 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 18.5 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* Annual.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 19,311.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Maribel Aponte,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Rehabilitation Research and Development Service Scientific Merit Review Board; 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 Rehabilitation Research and Development Service Scientific Merit Review Board (hereinafter the Board) will be held on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, via Webex. The meeting will be held between 1:00–1:30 p.m. EST. The meeting will be partially closed to the public from 1:10–1:30 p.m. EST for the discussion, examination and reference to the research applications and scientific review.

Discussions will involve reference to staff and consultant critiques of research proposals. Discussions will also deal with scientific merit of each proposal and qualifications of personnel conducting the studies, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Additionally, premature disclosure of research information could significantly obstruct implementation of proposed agency action regarding the research proposals. As provided by Public Law 92–463 subsection 10(d), as amended by Public Law 94–409, closing the Board meeting is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (6) and (9)(B).

The objective of the Board is to provide for the fair and equitable selection of the most meritorious research projects for support by VA research funds and to offer advice for research program officials on program priorities and policies. The ultimate objective of the Board is to ensure that the VA Rehabilitation Research and Development program promotes functional independence and improves the quality of life for impaired and disabled Veterans.

Board members advise the Director, Rehabilitation Research and Development Service and the Chief Research and Development Officer on the scientific and technical merit, the mission relevance, and the protection of human and animal subjects of Rehabilitation Research and Development proposals. The Board does not consider grants, contracts or other forms of extramural research.

Members of the public who wish to attend the open portion of the Webex session from 1:00–1:10 p.m. EST may join by dialing the Webex USA Toll-free Number 1–833–558–0712 and entering the meeting number (access code): 2762

946 7943. Written comments from the public must be sent prior to the meeting to Tiffany Asqueri, Designated Federal Officer, Rehabilitation Research and Development Service, Department of Veterans Affairs (14RDR), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, or to [Tiffany.Asqueri@va.gov](mailto:Tiffany.Asqueri@va.gov). Those who plan to attend the open portion of the meeting must contact Mrs. Asqueri at least five (5) days before the meeting. For further information, please call Mrs. Asqueri at 202–568–1174.

Dated: June 23, 2022.

**LaTonya L. Small,**

*Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Health Services Research and Development Service Scientific Merit Review Board; 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 Health Services Research and Development Service Scientific Merit Review Board will be held September 1, 2022, via WebEx. The meeting will be held between noon and 1:30 p.m. EST. The meeting will be partially closed to the public from 12:15–1:30 p.m. EST for the discussion, examination and reference to the research applications and scientific review. Discussions will involve reference to staff and consultant critiques of research proposals. Discussions will deal with scientific merit of each proposal and qualifications of personnel conducting the studies, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Additionally, premature disclosure of research information could significantly obstruct implementation of proposed agency action regarding the research proposals. As provided by Public Law 92–463 subsection 10(d), as amended by Public Law 94–409, closing the committee meeting is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B).

The objective of the Board is to provide for the fair and equitable selection of the most meritorious research projects for support by VA research funds and to offer advice for research program officials on program priorities and policies. The ultimate objective of the Board is to ensure the high quality and mission relevance of VA's legislatively mandated Health

Services Research and Development program.

Board members advise the Director, Health Services Research and Development Service and the Chief Research and Development Officer on the scientific and technical merit, the mission relevance, and the protection of human subjects of Health Services Research and Development proposals. The Board does not consider grants, contracts or other forms of extramural research.

Members of the public who wish to attend the open portion of the teleconference session from 12:00–12:15 p.m. EST may join by dialing the WebEx USA Toll-free Number 1–404–397–1596 and entering the meeting number (access code): 2761 336 2549.

Written comments from the public must be sent to Tiffin Ross-Shepard, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, Health Services Research and Development Service, Department of Veterans Affairs (14RDH), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, or to [Tiffin.Ross-Shepard@va.gov](mailto:Tiffin.Ross-Shepard@va.gov) prior to the meeting. Those who plan to attend the open portion of the meeting must contact Ms. Ross-Shepard at least 5 days before the meeting. For further information, please call Ms. Ross-Shepard at 202–443–5776.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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### Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Veterans Engagement Action Center (VEAC) Surveys

**AGENCY:** Veterans Experience Office, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Experience Office, 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](http://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 “VEAC Survey Feedback”.

#### 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](mailto:maribel.aponte@va.gov). Please refer to “VEO VEAC Survey Feedback” in any correspondence.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Authority:* 44 U.S.C. 3501–21.

*Title:* Veterans Engagement Action Center (VEAC) Surveys.

*OMB Control Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* ICR.

*Abstract:* Veterans Experience Action Center (VEAC) is a Veterans Affairs (VA) program established to proactively assist Veterans in a selected state with a one-stop resource for all their needs. The VEAC brings together VA benefits, health care and other resources in partnership with state VA resources.

The VEAC gathers feedback from Veterans, Active Military, Guard/Reservist, Family members, caregivers, providers, and survivors. The VEAC then provides that feedback to VA leaders to measure the success of the outreach event and measure the ease, effectiveness, emotion, and trust from the participants as they exit.

The surveys will further allow the Veterans Experience Office (VEO) to measure whether the needs of the participants were met. Additional areas where the survey results will impact:

- Identifies gaps and challenges in health care, benefits, and service delivery.
- Identifies areas for how VA can best support local efforts in a holistic fashion.
- Identifies areas where there may be barriers to access, and outreach tailored to local communities.

Per FY2021 MILCON House report 116–445, the Committee directs the VA to provide quarterly reports on the status of the implementation of the VEAC pilot program; the effectiveness of the pilot program at reaching Veterans, particularly those in need, and increasing utilization of VA services:

- Congress (Quarterly Congressional Tracking Reports (CTRs))

VEAC surveys afford VEAC participants the ability to provide

feedback to VA and allow the customer to share their experiences. VEO uses the customer’s feedback to enhance and increase outreach and engagement efforts and determine the direct value of our efforts.

The surveys and its delivery are an innovative approach to measure and improve customer experience based on the “voice of the Veteran.” Through the use of the VSignals digital platform, VEO can identify gaps and challenges in the community, provide information on VA programs, increase access and outreach, identify what is and what is not working, and determine how VA can best support local community efforts in support of Veterans, families, caregivers, and survivors. The Veteran Experience Office (VEO) has also been commissioned to measure the satisfaction of Peer-to-Peer organizations and veterans who recently interacted with the VEAC.

Survey respondents will be Veterans, Active Military, Guard/Reservist, family members, caregivers, and survivors that attend a VEAC event. Some VEAC participants may also be offered to provide feedback to surveys that capture their experience through their Peer-to-Peer connections or their attendance on a Veterans Experience Live Question and Answer event. Different surveys may be administered participants of events:

1. *VEAC Exit Survey:* Outreach event staff will verbally administer the survey to event attendees as the last step in the overall event process. The outreach staff will fill out the web-based survey on behalf of the outreach event participant.

2. *VEAC Email Survey:* A survey will be sent via email to event attendees that were not able to take the VEAC Exit Survey. The email survey will not be sent to event attendees that opted out of the VEAC Exit Survey.

3. *Peer-to-Peer Survey:* The survey is completed via an email-based survey design. After a Peer-to-Peer organization interacts with a VEAC Representative, the VEAC Representative will send an email to the Peer-to-Peer organization with a link to the Vsignals survey. The Peer-to-Peer organization can take the survey and share the survey to Veterans via email at the conclusion of each Peer-to-Peer interaction. Peer-to-Peer organizations and veterans will choose whether they want to participate in the survey.

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