

notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Sallie Chavez. Ms. Chavez can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7979.

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Note: Last minute changes to the agenda are possible and could prevent effective advance notice.

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Tersheia Carter,
Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (Including the States of New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine)

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted in Andover, Massachusetts.

DATES: The meeting will be held Friday, June 20 and Saturday, June 21, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marisa Knispel at 1-888-912-1227, or 718-488-3557.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Friday, June 20, 2003 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. EDT and Saturday, June 21, 2003 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. EDT in Andover, MA. The public is invited to make oral comments. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes. For more information and to confirm attendance, notification of intent to attend the meeting must be made with Marisa Knispel. Mrs. Knispel may be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 718-488-3557, or write Marisa Knispel, Tap Office, 10 Metrotech Center, 625 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11021, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agendas will include the following: Various IRS issues.

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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 gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Rehabilitation Research and Development Service Scientific Merit Review Board will be held on July 29-30, 2003, at the Hamilton Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1001 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC. The sessions are scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to review rehabilitation research and development applications for scientific and technical merit and to make recommendations to the Director, Rehabilitation Research and Development Service, regarding their funding.

The meeting will be open to the public for the July 29 session from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. for the discussion of administrative matters, the general status of the program and the administrative details of the review process. On July 29, from 9 a.m. through July 30, the meeting will be closed for the Board's review of research and development applications.

This review involves oral comments, discussion of site visits, staff and consultant critiques of proposed research protocols, and similar analytical documents that necessitate the consideration of the personal qualifications, performance and competence of individual research investigators. Disclosure of such information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Disclosure would also reveal research proposals and research underway which could lead to the loss of these projects to third parties and thereby frustrate future agency research efforts.

Thus, the closing is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6), and (c)(9)(B) and the determination of the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs under Sections 10(d) of Public Law 92-463 as amended by Section 5(c) of Public Law 94-409.

Those who plan to attend the open session should contact Ms. Victoria Mongiardo, Program Analyst,

Rehabilitation Research and Development Service (122P), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20420, at (202) 408-3684.

Dated: May 19, 2003.
By Direction of the Secretary:

E. Philip Riggan,
Committee Management Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Women Veterans; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs gives notice under Pub. L. 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans will conduct site visits to the Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center (VAMC), 650 East Indian School Road, Phoenix, AZ 85012, and several other VA facilities in the area. The site visits will be held on June 16-20, 2003, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., each day and will be open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs regarding the needs of women veterans with respect to health care, rehabilitation, compensation, outreach, and other programs and activities administered by the VA designed to meet such needs. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such programs and activities.

On June 16, the agenda topics for this meeting will include briefings and updates by the key leadership group at the Carl T. Hayden VAMC and the Women Veterans Program Managers in Veterans Integrated Services Network (VISN) 18. Tours of the Carl T. Hayden VAMC, including the ambulatory care clinics, will be conducted. On June 17, briefings and updates by the key leadership group at the Carl T. Hayden VAMC will continue. On June 18, site visits will be made to the VISN 18 facilities and community-based outpatient clinics in Mesa. On June 19, site visits will be made to the National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona and the State Veterans Home. On June 20, an open forum and town hall meeting with the women veterans' community will be held at the Carl T. Hayden VAMC.

Any member of the public wishing to attend should contact Mrs. Desiree W. Long, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Center for Women Veterans (00W), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Mrs. Long may be contacted either by phone at (202)

273-6193, fax at (202) 273-7093 or e-mail at *OOW@mail.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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By Direction of the Secretary,

E. Philip Riggan,
Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Privacy Act of 1974; Report of Matching Program

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) intends to conduct a recurring computer matching program matching Department of Justice, Bureau of Prison (BOP), inmate records with VA pension, compensation, and dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) records. The goal of this match is to identify incarcerated veterans and beneficiaries who are receiving VA benefits, and to reduce or terminate benefits, if appropriate. The match will include records of current VA beneficiaries.

DATES: The match will start no sooner than 30 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, or 40 days after copies of this Notice and the agreement of the parties is submitted to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget, whichever is later, and end

not more than 18 months after the agreement is properly implemented by the parties. The involved agencies' Data Integrity Boards (DIB) may extend this match for 12 months provided the agencies certify to their DIBs, within three months of the ending date of the original match, that the matching program will be conducted without change and that the matching program has been conducted in compliance with the original matching program.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, suggestions, or objections regarding the proposal to conduct the matching program to the Director, Office of Regulations Management (02D), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Room 1154, Washington, DC 20420. All written comments received will be available for public inspection in the Office of Regulations Management, Room 1158, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Fridays except holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Trowbridge (212B), (202) 273-7218.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: VA will use this information to verify incarceration and adjust VA benefit payments as prescribed by law. The proposed matching program will enable VA to accurately identify beneficiaries who are incarcerated for a felony or a misdemeanor in a Federal penal facility.

The legal authority to conduct this match is 38 U.S.C. 1505, 5106, and 5313. Section 5106 requires any Federal department or agency to provide VA such information as VA requests for the purposes of determining eligibility for,

or the amount of VA benefits, or verifying other information with respect thereto. Section 1505 provides that no VA pension benefits shall be paid to or for any person eligible for such benefits, during the period of that person's incarceration as the result of conviction of a felony or misdemeanor, beginning on the sixty-first day of incarceration. Section 5313 provides that VA compensation or dependency and indemnity compensation above a specified amount shall not be paid to any person eligible for such benefits, during the period of that person's incarceration as the result of conviction of a felony, beginning on the sixty-first day of incarceration.

The VA records involved in the match are the VA system of records, VA Compensation, Pension and Education and Rehabilitation Records—VA (58 VA 21/22)", first published at 41 FR 9294 (March 3, 1976), and last amended at 66 FR 47725 (9/13/01) with other amendments as cited therein. The BOP records consist of information from the system of records identified as Inmate Central Records System, BOP #005 published on June 7, 1984 (48 FR 23711). In accordance with Title 5 U.S.C. subsection 552a(o)(2) and (r), copies of the agreement are being sent to both Houses of Congress and to the Office of Management and Budget. This notice is provided in accordance with the provisions of Privacy Act of 1974 as amended by Public Law 100-503.

Approved: May 8, 2003.

Anthony J. Principi,

Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

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