

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
AFFAIRS****Advisory Committee on the
Readjustment of Veterans, Notice of
Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans will be held March 11 and 12, 1999. The meeting on both days will be held at the American Legion, Washington Office, 1608 K Street, NW, Washington, DC. The agenda on both days will commence at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn at 4:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to review VA and other relevant services important for veterans'

post-war readjustment, and to formulate and draft the Committee's annual report to Congress.

The agenda for both days will primarily focus on drafting the Committee's third annual report to Congress. For this purpose, the Committee will review the provision and coordination of programs in Veterans Health Administration (VHA) and Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA). Pertinent programs include the Readjustment Counseling Service Vet Centers, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and substance abuse programs in VA medical facilities, and compensation issues related to PTSD claims for service connection. The Committee will also review access to

care issues related to high risk veteran groups such as minority, women, disabled and high combat exposed veterans.

The meeting will be open to the public. Those who plan to attend or who have questions concerning the meeting should contact Alfonso R. Batres, Ph.D., M.S.S.W., Chief, Readjustment Counseling Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, telephone number: 202-273-8867.

Dated: February 4, 1999.

By Direction of the Secretary.

Heyward Bannister,

Committee Management Officer.

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