

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0618]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521) this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted 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; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 15, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0618" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application by Insured Terminally Ill Person for Accelerated Benefit (38 CFR 9.14(e)).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0618.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: An insured person who is terminally ill may request a portion of the face value of his or her

Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (SGLI) or Veterans' Group Life Insurance (VGLI) prior to death. If the insured want to receive a portion of the SGLI or VGLI he or she must submit a Servicemembers' and Veterans' Group Life Insurance Accelerated Benefits Option application. The application must include a medical prognosis by a physician stating the life expectancy of the insured person and a statement by the insured on the amount of accelerated benefit he or she choose to receive. The application is obtainable by writing to the Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance ABO Claim Processing, 290 West Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Livingston, NJ 07039, or calling 1-800-419-1473 or downloading the application via the Internet at <http://www.insurance.va.gov>.

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 on April 4, 2005 at pages 17146-17147.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 40 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per

Respondent: 12 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On Occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 200.

Dated: August 9, 2005.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Pub. L. 92-463

(Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee (GGAC) will be held on September 14-15, 2005. On September 14, 2005 the meeting will be held in Room 230, VA Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, from 8:30 a.m., until 5 p.m. On September 15, 2005, the meeting will be held at the American Legion Building, 1608 K Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 9 a.m., until 12 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Under Secretary for Health on all matters pertaining to geriatrics and gerontology by assessing the capability of VA health care facilities to meet the medical, psychological, and social needs of older veterans and by evaluating VA facilities designated as Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Centers (GRECCs).

The meeting will feature presentations on VA research initiatives in areas that affect aging, the White House Conference on Aging, and performance oversight of the VA Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Centers.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Interested parties can provide written comments for review by the Committee in advance of the meeting to Mrs. Marcia Holt-Delaney, Office of Geriatrics and Extended Care (114), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Individuals who wish to attend the meeting should contact Mrs. Delaney, Program Analyst, at (202) 273-8540.

Dated: August 8, 2005.

By direction of the Secretary.

E. Philip Riffin,

Committee Management Officer.

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