

selected) and its appropriateness to program objectives.

B. Evidence of careful planning.

C. The program should be representative of current expert knowledge in the field, and should be consistent with the requirements of the Bureau's legislative charter, meeting the highest professional qualitative standards of achievement.

2. Institutional capacity and adequacy of proposed resources.

Faculty, library and other research and scholarly resources, housing, transportation, meal facilities, access to media resources, and other institutional support should be adequate, accessible, and appropriate, and should promote a collegial setting.

3. Support of Diversity.

Proposals should demonstrate substantive support of the Bureau's policy on diversity. Achievable and relevant features should be cited in both program administration (program venue, program evaluation) and program content (orientation and wrap-up sessions, program meetings, resource materials and follow-up activities).

4. Experience.

Experience of professionals and staff assigned to the program with foreign educators; institution's tract record with international exchange programs.

5. Evaluation and follow-up.

A. Adequacy of plans for evaluation during and after the institute by the grantee institution.

B. Adequacy of provisions made for "multiplier effect," i.e., future follow-up and networking between grantees and the host institution or other appropriate U.S. scholars or scholarly organizations.

6. Administration and Management. Evidence of strong on-site administrative and managerial capabilities (with specific discussion of how managerial and logistical arrangements will be undertaken).

7. Resources. Availability of local and state resources for the orientation, academic program segment, and follow-on tour.

8. Cost effectiveness. The overhead and administrative components of grants, as well as salaries and honoraria, should be kept as low as possible. All other items should be necessary and appropriate. In-kind contributions and cost-sharing should be maximized.

Notice

The terms and conditions published in this RFP are binding and may not be modified by any USIA representative. Explanatory information provided by the Agency that contradicts published language will not be binding. Issuance of the RFP does not constitute an award

commitment on the part of the Government. The Agency reserves the right to reduce, revise, or increase proposal budgets in accordance with the needs of the program. Final awards cannot be made until funds have been appropriated by Congress, allocated and committed through internal USIA procedures.

Notification

All applicants will be notified of the results of the review process on or about December 1, 1995. Awards made will be subject to periodic reporting and evaluation requirements.

Dated: August 22, 1995.

Dell Pendergrast,

Deputy Associate Director, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Information Collections Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposals for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

OMB Number: 2900-0013

Title and Form Number: Application for United States Flag for Burial Purposes, VA Form 2008.

Type of Information Collection:

Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Needs and Uses: The form is used by the public to obtain a burial flag for a deceased veteran.

Affected Public: Individuals or households—State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden: 125,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 500,000 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0059

Title and Form Number: Statement of Person Claiming to Have Stood in Relation of Parent, VA Form 21-524.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Needs and Uses: The form is used to secure information about the relationship of a claimant to the veteran in claims for Pension Dependency and Indemnity Compensation.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 4,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 2 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,000 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0077

Title and Form Number: Court-Appointed Fiduciary's Account, VA Form 27-4706c.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Needs and Uses: The form is used to provide the court appointed fiduciary of a VA beneficiary an acceptable format for providing accountings to the appointing court. The information is used to determine whether VA benefits have been properly managed.

Affected Public: Individuals or households—State, Local or Tribal Government

Estimated Annual Burden: 10,633 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,616 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0107

Title and Form Number: Certificate as to Securities, VA Form 27-4709.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Needs and Uses: The form is used to verify the existence of savings bonds or other securities listed as assets on an accounting required by State or Federal law or regulation.

Affected Public: Individuals or households—Business or other for-profit—Not-for-profit institutions—State, Local or Tribal Government

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,450 hours (2,100 annual reporting hours and 350 annual recordkeeping hours).

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 13 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,316 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0115

Title and Form Number: Supporting Statement Regarding Marriage, VA Form 21-4171.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Needs and Uses: The form is used to obtain information from individuals who know, as the result of personal observation, the relationship which existed between the parties, in those cases in which a common law marriage is claimed. The information is used to determine if the marital relationship is established and benefits are payable based on relationship.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 800 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 20 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,400 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0121

Title and Form Number: Obtaining Supplemental Information From Hospital or Doctor, VA Form Letter 29-551B.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Needs and Uses: The form letter is used to request medical information from the insured's doctor or hospital in connection with disability insurance benefits.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 61 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 244 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0255

Title and Form Number: Application for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation or Death Pension (Including Accrued Benefits and Death Compensation Where Applicable) From the Department of Veterans Affairs, VA Form 21-4182.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Needs and Uses: The form is used to gather the necessary information from the survivor to determine initial eligibility for accrued, dependency and indemnity compensation, death compensation and/or death pension benefits when an applicant applies for Social Security benefits.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3,500 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

14,000 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0404

Title and Form Number: Veteran's Application for Increased Compensation Based on Unemployability, VA Form 21-8940.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Needs and Uses: The form is used by veterans when making a claim for increased VA disability compensation based on unemployability.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 18,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 45 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 24,000 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0138

Title and Form Number: Request for Details of Expenses, VA Form 21-8049.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Needs and Uses: The form is used to obtain the necessary information to determine the amount of any deductible expenses paid by the claimant and/or commercial life insurance received to calculate the appropriate rate of pension benefits.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 5,700 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 22,800 respondents.

ADDRESSES: Copies of these submissions may be obtained from Trish Fineran, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M30), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-6886.

Comments and recommendations concerning the submissions should be directed to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Allison Eydt, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4650. Do not send requests for benefits to this address.

DATES: Comments on the information collections should be directed to the OMB Desk Officer on or before October 2, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Taylor, VA Clearance Officer (045A4), (202) 565-4412.

Dated: August 21, 1995.

By direction of the Secretary.

Donald L. Neilson,

Director, Information Management Service
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Information Collections Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposals for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

OMB Number: 2900-0083.

Title and Form Number: Blood Donor Registration, VA Form 10-2420.

Type of Information Collection:

Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Needs and Uses: The information is used to determine if a prospective volunteer blood donor is free from illnesses that might cause harm to a VA patient if transfused with the donor's blood.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 6,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 36,000 respondents.

OMB Number: 2900-0188.

Titles: Prescription, Authorization, Application, Procurement, Repair and Loan of Prosthetic Items.

Form Numbers:

- VA Form Letter 10-426, Loan Follow-up Letter.
- VA Form 10-2421; Prosthetic Authorization for Items or Services.
- VA Form 10-2914; Prescription and Authorization for Eyeglasses.
- VA Form 10-2520; Prosthetic Service Card Invoice.
- VA Form Letter 10-90, Request to Submit Estimate.
- Form Letter 10-1394, Application for Adaptive Equipment Motor Vehicle.

Type of Information Collection:

Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Needs and Uses: The forms and form letters are used to determine eligibility, prescribe, and authorize