

of information was published on April 23, 1999 at page 20062.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1500 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Generally one time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,000.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection 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. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0492" in any correspondence.

Dated: June 15, 1999.

By direction of the Secretary.

Donald L. Neilson,

Director, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0519]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice

announces that the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), 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.

DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before September 3, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: James Good, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8001 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0519."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Locality Pay System, (DVA Nurse Pay Act of 1990), Health Care Occupation.

Data Collection Form, VA Form 10-0132.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0519.

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

Abstract: The information collected is necessary to comply with the provision of Public Law 101-366, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Nurse Pay Act of 1990, which specifically provides for a locality pay system for certain health care personnel within VA. The law requires that where available, data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will be used in determining the beginning rates of compensation. At this time, the BLS surveys do not capture beginning rates of compensation nor are the job descriptions used in the survey

comparable to VA positions. Until BLS can supply this data, VA medical facility Directors remain responsible for collecting the data to implement and adjust rates for registered nurses, nurse anesthetists, and other health care personnel.

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 December 23, 1998 at page 71191.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,531 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 45 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,375.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection 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. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0519" in any correspondence.

Dated: July 2, 1999.

By direction of the Secretary.

Donald L. Neilson,

Director, Information Management Service.

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