# 1997 Current Fiscal Year Report: Department of Veterans Affairs Innovations in Nursing Committee

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Department of Veterans Affairs 1997

3b. GSA

3. Committee or Subcommittee Committee

No.

Department of Veterans Affairs Innovations

in Nursing Committee

5139

14c.

4. Is this New During 5. Current 6. Expected 7. Expected Fiscal Year? Charter Renewal Date Term Date No 09/16/1996 09/16/1997 09/17/1998

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination Authority 8c. Actual Term Date

Yes Agency Decision 09/30/1997

9. Agency 10b.

Recommendation for Next Req to Terminate?

FiscalYear Legislation Pending?

Terminate No.

**11. Establishment Authority** Agency Authority

12. Specific 13. 14.

Establishment Effective Commitee Presidential?

Authority Date Type

Agency Decision 09/16/1996 Ad hoc No

**15. Description of Committee** Non Scientific Program Advisory

Board

16a. Total

No Reports for this FiscalYear

Reports

17a. 4 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 4 Open

#### **Meetings and Dates**

Purpose	Start	End
Not Stated	01/15/1997	- 01/16/1997
Not Stated	03/03/1997	- 03/04/1997
Not Stated	04/08/1997	- 04/09/1997

Not Stated 06/22/1997 - 06/25/1997

#### Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 4

	Current FY FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to	\$24,000.00\$0.00
Non-Federal Members	Ψ2-1,000.00 ψ0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to	\$50,400.00\$0.00
Federal Members	ψ50,400.00 ψ0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to	\$29,200.00\$0.00
Federal Staff	ψ29,200.00 ψ0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to	\$0.00\$0.00
Non-Member Consultants	φυ.υυ φυ.υυ
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem	\$35,672.00\$0.00
to Non-Federal Members	ψ55,072.00ψ0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem	\$19,831.00\$0.00
to Federal Members	ψ19,031.00ψ0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem	\$10,700.00\$0.00
to Federal Staff	φ10,700.00 φ0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem	\$0.00\$0.00
to Non-member Consultants	φυ.υυ φυ.υυ
18c. Other(rents,user	
charges, graphics, printing,	\$0.00 \$0.00
mail, etc.)	
18d. Total	\$169,803.00\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support	0.30 0.00
Years (FTE)	0.30 0.00

# 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The final report was widely circulated for review and comments to internal stakeholders, professional and veterans organizations and Congress. Report recommendations, along with comments received, formed the basis for strategic initiatives to foster Veterans Health Administration initiatives that will foster and support innovative nursing practices.

#### 20b. How does the Committee balance its

#### membership?

The Committee was composed of a broad array of interdiscipilnary individuals with expertise in current healthcare practices, business practices and entrepreneurial ventures. To ensure balance in the recommendations, the Committee was composed of individuals from both the federal and private sectors. Selection of Committee members was based on the ability to provide substantial contributions based on a combination of knowledge and experience into current and future health care and nursing innovations. Within this context, the Committee composition was maintained through a balanced, widely respected and diverse membership.

### 20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The mission-specific Committee completed its activities during FY 97 through the following activities: The work of the Committee was conducted primarily in four meetings. These sessions were held at VA Headquarters in Washington, DC, on January 15-16, 1997, March 3-4, 1997, April 8-9, 1997, and at Portland VA Medical Center in Portland, OR, on June 22-23, 1997. Transcripts are on file and minutes were distributed. In addition, full membership conference calls were conducted on July 3, 1997, and July 11, 1997, and four drafts of the final report were circulated, amended and revised.

### 20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The unique background and expertise of Committee members were necessary to design, implement and interpret a comprehensive fact finding effort into those factors in the Veterans Health Administration which foster or impede innovative nursing practices.

# 20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

All Committee meetings were open to the public.

#### 21. Remarks

NA

### **Designated Federal Officer**

### Betsy Oliver DFO

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Bailey, Jennifer	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	American Nurses Association, Rep. to the VA Natl. Partnership Cou., VAMC Des Moines	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Belton, Linda	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Director, VISN 11, Veterans Affairs	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Davis, Carolyne	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Natl. & Internatl. Consultant to Ernst & Young, Adv. to the Bd. of Dirs. of Beverly Enter.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Diffley, Suzanne	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Veterans of America	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Donaho,, Barbara	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Prog. Dir., Strengthening Hospital Nursing Initiative, Robert Wood Fdn/Pew Charitable Trust, Pres., American Academy of Nursing	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
England,, Mary	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Pres., Washington Business Group on Health, Past Pres., Amer. Psychiatric Assoc.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Ethridge,, Phyllis	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Consultant, Carondelet Health Care Corp. of Southern Arizona	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Filerman,, Gary	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Health Professions Education Consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Gibeau,, Janice	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	President & CEO, Charles River Hospital, Chicopee, Mass.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Goldman,, Leon	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Surgeon, Beth Israel Hospital	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Gorman, David	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Executive Director, Disabled American Veterans	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Krumberger,, Joanne	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Critical Care Clinical Nurse Specialist, VAMC, Milwaukee, WI, Pres., Amer. Assoc. Critical Care Nurses	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
McVey,, Cecilia	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Bd of Directors, Nursing Organization of Veterans Affairs (NOVA), Chief Nurse, VAMC, Boston, MA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Miramontes,, Helen	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Program Coordinator for Nursing, Pacific Aids Education & Training Center, Univ. of California, San Francisco	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Mundinger, Mary	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Dean & Professor, School of Nursing, Assoc. Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Columbia University, Past. Pres., Friends of Naatl. Inst. of Nursing Research	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Norby,, Ron	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Clinical Services Officer, VISN 22	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Nygaaard,, Jane	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	President, Local 3669, Amer. Fed. of Govt. Employees, Rep. to the VA Natl. Partnership Council, VAMC Minneapolis, MN	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Petzel,, Robert	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Director, VISN 13, Veterans Affairs	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Pitts,, Ellen	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Pres., RN Local R1-187, Natl. Assoc. of Gov. Employees, Rep. to the VA Natl. Partnership Council, VAMC Brockton/West Roxbury, MA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Ryan,, Bonnie	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	White House Fellow, Veterans Affairs	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Semonin-Holleran,, Renee	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Chiefl Flight Nurse, Univ. of Cincinnati Hospital, President, Emergency Nurses Assoc.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Stuart,, Gail	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Administrator, Institute of Psychiatry, Medical University of South Carolina, Past Pres., American Psychiatric Nurses Association.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Tuschmidt,, James	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	Clinical Manager, VISN 20, Veterans Affairs	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Williams,, Rebecca	10/01/1996	09/30/1997	(Co-Chairperson), Assoc. Dir./Oatuebt /Focused Care, VAMC, Denver, CO	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 24** 

### **Narrative Description**

## What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked	if
	Applies	
Improvements to health or safety		
Trust in government		
Major policy changes		
Advance in scientific research		
Effective grant making		
Improved service delivery		
Increased customer satisfaction		
Implementation of laws or regulatory		
requirements		
Other		

#### **Outcome Comments**

### What are the cost savings associated with this committee? **Checked if Applies** None Unable to Determine Under \$100,000 \$100,000 - \$500,000 \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 Over \$10,000,000 Cost Savings Other **Cost Savings Comments** What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee? 0 **Number of Recommendations Comments** What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency? % % of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency? %

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Yes □ No □ Not Applicable ✓	
Agency Feedback Comments	
What other actions has the agency taken as a recommendation?	a result of the committee's advice or
	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	
Reallocated resources	
Issued new regulation	
Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	
Other	
Action Comments	
Is the Committee engaged in the review of ap	oplications for grants?
Grant Review Comments	
How is access provided to the information fo	or the Committee's documentation?  Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	Checked if Applies
Online Agency Web Site	
Online Committee Web Site	
Online GSA FACA Web Site	
Publications	
Other	

**Access Comments**