

(f) Subpart F: The rules governing the payment of continuing compensation benefits. It includes provisions concerning the employee's and the employer's responsibilities in returning the employee to work. It also contains provisions governing reports of earnings and dependents, recurrences, and reduction and termination of compensation benefits.

(g) Subpart G: The rules governing the appeals of decisions under the FECA. It includes provisions relating to hearings, reconsiderations, and appeals before the Employees' Compensation Appeals Board.

(h) Subpart H: The rules concerning legal representation and for adjustment and recovery from a third party. It also contains provisions relevant to three groups of employees whose status requires special application of the provisions of the FECA: Federal grand and petit jurors, Peace Corps volunteers, and non-Federal law enforcement officers.

(i) Subpart I: Information for medical providers. It includes rules for medical reports, medical bills, and the OWCP medical fee schedule, as well as the provisions for exclusion of medical providers.

§ 10.3 Have the collection of information requirements of this part been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)?

The collection of information requirements in this part have been approved by OMB and assigned OMB control numbers 1215-0055, 1215-0067, 1215-0078, 1215-0103, 1215-0105, 1215-0115, 1215-0116, 1215-0144, 1215-0151, 1215-0154, 1215-0155, 1215-0161, 1215-0167, 1215-0176, 1215-0178, 1215-0182, 1215-0193 and 1215-0194.

DEFINITIONS AND FORMS

§ 10.5 What definitions apply to these regulations?

Certain words and phrases found in this part are defined in this section or in the FECA. Some other words and phrases that are used only in limited situations are defined in the later subparts of these regulations.

(a) *Benefits* or *Compensation* means the money OWCP pays to or on behalf of a beneficiary from the Employees' Compensation Fund for lost wages, a

loss of wage-earning capacity or a permanent physical impairment, as well as the money paid to beneficiaries for an employee's death. These two terms also include any other amounts paid out of the Employees' Compensation Fund for such things as medical treatment, medical examinations conducted at the request of OWCP as part of the claims adjudication process, vocational rehabilitation services, services of an attendant and funeral expenses, but does not include continuation of pay.

(b) *Beneficiary* means an individual who is entitled to a benefit under the FECA and this part.

(c) *Claim* means a written assertion of an individual's entitlement to benefits under the FECA, submitted in a manner authorized by this part.

(d) *Claimant* means an individual whose claim has been filed.

(e) *Director* means the Director of OWCP or a person designated to carry out his or her functions.

(f) *Disability* means the incapacity, because of an employment injury, to earn the wages the employee was receiving at the time of injury. It may be partial or total.

(g) *Earnings from employment or self-employment* means:

(1) Gross earnings or wages before any deductions and includes the value of subsistence, quarters, reimbursed expenses and any other goods or services received in kind as remuneration; or

(2) A reasonable estimate of the cost to have someone else perform the duties of an individual who accepts no remuneration. Neither lack of profits, nor the characterization of the duties as a hobby, removes an unremunerated individual's responsibility to report the estimated cost to have someone else perform his or her duties.

(h) *Employee* means, but is not limited to, an individual who fits within one of the following listed groups:

(1) A civil officer or employee in any branch of the Government of the United States, including an officer or employee of an instrumentality wholly owned by the United States;

(2) An individual rendering personal service to the United States similar to the service of a civil officer or employee of the United States, without pay or for nominal pay, when a statute