

**Meeting of the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses**  
**September 15-16, 2008**  
**Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Room 230,**  
**Washington, D.C.**

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**Monday, September 15, 2008**

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| <b>8:00 – 8:30</b>   | <b>Informal gathering, coffee</b>   |  |
| <b>8:30 – 8:35</b>   | <b>Welcome, introductory remarks</b>  | <b>Mr. Jim Binns, Chairman</b><br><b>Res Adv Cmte Gulf War Illnesses</b>                                 |
| <b>8:35 – 9:30</b>   | <b>Clinical Profiles of ALS in GW veterans</b>                                  | <b>Dr. Edward Kasarskis</b><br><b>VA Medical Center, Lexington, KY</b>                                   |
| <b>9:30 – 10:15</b>  | <b>Update on the investigation into the ALS Outbreak among 1991 GW veterans</b> | <b>Dr. Ronnie Horner*</b><br><b>University of Cincinnati</b>   |
| <b>10:15 – 10:30</b> | <b>Break</b>  |  |
| <b>10:30 – 11:15</b> | <b>National Registry of veterans with ALS And GENEVA study</b>                  | <b>Dr. Eugene Oddone</b><br><b>Durham, NC VAMC</b>   |
| <b>11:15 -12:00</b>  | <b>Spatial Analysis of ALS in GW veterans</b>                                   | <b>Dr. Marie Lynn Miranda</b><br><b>Duke University Medical Center</b>                                   |
| <b>12:00-12:30</b>   | <b>A Neurological Evaluation of GW veterans</b>                                 | <b>Dr. Paul Levine</b><br><b>George Washington University</b>  |
| <b>12:30 - 1:30</b>  | <b>Lunch</b>  |  |
| <b>1:30 - 2:00</b>   | <b>Update of VA Gulf War research</b>   | <b>Dr. William Goldberg</b><br><b>VA Office of Research and Development</b>                              |
| <b>2:00 – 2:15</b>   | <b>Break</b>  |  |
| <b>2:15 – 3:00</b>   | <b>Update of UTSW Gulf War research</b>   | <b>Dr. Robert Haley</b><br><b>University of Texas Southwestern</b><br><b>VA Dallas Healthcare System</b> |
| <b>3:00 - 3:30</b>   | <b>VA Multiple Sclerosis Study</b>  | <b>Dr. Mitchell Wallin</b><br><b>MS Center of Excellence, East</b><br><b>VA Washington, DC</b>           |
| <b>3:30 – 4:15</b>   | <b>Environmental exposures during the Gulf War</b>                              | <b>Mr. Joel Graves</b><br><b>Res Adv Cmte Gulf War Illnesses</b>   |
| <b>4:15 - 4:45</b>   | <b>Public comment</b>   |  |

**\*participating by phone**

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| <b>8:00 – 8:30</b>   | <b>Informal gathering, coffee</b>                 |   |
| <b>8:30 –9:15</b>    | <b>CDMRP Gulf War program update</b>              | <b>CAPT. Melissa Kaime<br/>Congressionally Directed Medical<br/>Research Program</b>                |
| <b>9:15 – 10:15</b>  | <b>Washington WRIISC research update</b>          | <b>Dr. Han Kang<br/>VA Washington, DC</b>   |
| <b>10:15 – 10:45</b> | <b>New Jersey WRIISC research update</b>          | <b>Dr. Karen Quigley<br/>Dr. Helena Chandler<br/>Dr. Gudrun Lange<br/>DVA NJ Health Care System</b> |
| <b>10:45 – 11:00</b> | <b>Break</b>                                      |   |
| <b>11:00 – 11:30</b> | <b>Secretary addresses the Committee</b>          | <b>Secretary James Peake<br/>Department of Veterans Affairs</b>                                     |
| <b>11:30 – 12:00</b> | <b>Update of recent GW research</b>               | <b>Dr. Beatrice Golomb<br/>Res Adv Cmte Gulf War Illnesses</b>                                      |
| <b>12:00 – 12:15</b> | <b>Federal Advisory Committee ethics training</b> | <b>Mr. Jonathan Gurland</b>   |
| <b>12:15 – 12:30</b> | <b>RAC Committee report update</b>                | <b>Mr. James Binns, Chairman<br/>Res Adv Cmte Gulf War Illnesses</b>                                |
| <b>12:30 – 1:00</b>  | <b>Public comment</b>                             |   |
| <b>1:00</b>          | <b>Adjourn</b>                                    |   |