

**Request for Approval under the "Generic Clearance for Improving  
Customer Experience: OMB Circular A-11, Section 280  
Implementation"  
(OMB Control Number: )**

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**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** Clinical Screening Tool Survey

**PURPOSE OF COLLECTION:**

Clinical reminders assist clinical decision-making and improve documentation and follow-up, by allowing providers to track and document when care has been delivered. This can assist providers in performing evaluations to enhance the quality of Veteran healthcare. However, the volume of clinical reminders has impacted the quality of the patient-provider encounter and increased cognitive burden on clinical teams. Therefore, the Veteran Health Administration (VHA) is in search of an enterprise tool which enables customizable and standardized questionnaires to be sent to the patient to collect responses asynchronously.

The VHA Office of Connected Care (OCC) in partnership with Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO) is conducting a pilot of two digital questionnaire tools within the VA ecosystem, Behavioral Health Labs (BHL) and eScreening. The pilot will allow OCC and OCTO to gather more insight about these tools.

The goal of this survey is to understand the Veteran's experience in completing questionnaires during the BHL and eScreening pilot. Research goals include:

- understanding if Veterans prefer the digital experience or in-person experience with a provider
- Veterans were satisfied with their experience
- Veterans understand what was being asked of them throughout the questionnaires

**TYPE OF ACTIVITY:** (Check one)

- ☐ Customer Research (Interview, Focus Groups, Surveys)
- ☒ Customer Feedback Survey
- ☐ Usability Testing of Products or Services

**ACTIVITY DETAILS**

1. If this is a survey, will the results of this survey be reported to Touchpoints as part of quarterly reporting obligations specified in OMB Circular A-11 Section 280?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

☐ Not a survey

2. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)

☒ Web-based or other forms of Social Media

☐ Telephone

☐ In-person

☐ Mail

☐ Other, Explain

3. Who will you collect the information from?

The VHA Office of Connected Care (OCC) in partnership with Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO) is conducting a pilot of two digital questionnaire tools within the VA ecosystem, Behavioral Health Labs (BHL) and eScreening. A link to the VSignals survey will be provided immediately at the end of every BHL and eScreening experience for this pilot, which Veterans can opt into and provide feedback.

4. How will you ask a respondent to provide this information?

A link to the VSignals survey will be accessible through a paper link and QR code at the end of every BHL and eScreening experience for this pilot, which Veterans can opt into and provide feedback from their own device. The survey results will be used to evaluate the research goals. Surveys will be anonymous.

5. What will the activity look like?

The survey will be offered to the attendee by VA staff through a provided link or QR code as a paper handout. The attendee can fill out the survey immediately on their own device or at their convenience. The attendee can choose to use a personal device through a url link or QR code provided. The url or QR code will be provided on a sheet of paper for those who prefer to complete the survey themselves on their own device at a later date.

6. Please provide your question list.

See Attached

7. When will the activity happen?

This will be ongoing at the completion of one of the screening tools at one of the VISN locations. This should last approximately six months, or up to 500 results per screening tool. Whichever occurs first.

8. Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants?

[ ] Yes [ X ] No

If Yes, describe:

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#### BURDEN HOURS

Category of Respondent	No. of Respondents	Participation Time	Burden Hours
Individuals and households	1000	3 minutes	50 hours
<b>Totals</b>			

#### CERTIFICATION:

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collections are voluntary;
2. The collections are low-burden for respondents (based on considerations of total burden hours or burden-hours per respondent) and are low-cost for both the respondents and the Federal Government;
3. The collections are non-controversial;
4. Any collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the near future;
5. Personally identifiable information (PII) is collected only to the extent necessary and is not retained;
6. Information gathered is intended to be used for general service improvement and program management purposes
7. Upon agreement between OMB and the agency aggregated data may be released as part of A-11, Section 280 requirements only on performance.gov. Summaries of customer research and user testing activities may be included in public-facing customer journey maps.
8. Additional release of data will be coordinated with OMB.

Name and email address of person who developed this survey/focus group/interview:

**Name:** Brian Brown\_\_\_\_\_

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**All instruments used to collect information must include:**

**OMB Control No.** 2900-0876

**Expiration Date:** 02/28/2026

## HELP SHEET

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**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** Provide the name of the collection that is the subject of the request. (e.g. Comment card for soliciting feedback on xxxx)

**PURPOSE:** Provide a brief description of the purpose of this collection and how it will be used. If this is part of a larger study or effort, please include this in your explanation.

**TYPE OF COLLECTION:** Check one box. If you are requesting approval of other instruments under the generic, you must complete a form for each instrument.

**CERTIFICATION:** Please read the certification carefully. If you incorrectly certify, the collection will be returned as improperly submitted or it will be disapproved.

**Personally Identifiable Information:** Agencies should only collect PII to the extent necessary, and they should only retain PII for the period of time that is necessary to achieve a specific objective.

### **BURDEN HOURS:**

**Category of Respondents:** Identify who you expect the respondents to be in terms of the following categories: (1) Individuals or Households; (2) Private Sector; (3) State, local, or tribal governments; or (4) Federal Government. Only one type of respondent can be selected per row.

**No. of Respondents:** Provide an estimate of the Number of respondents.

**Participation Time:** Provide an estimate of the amount of time required for a respondent to participate (e.g. fill out a survey or participate in a focus group)

**Burden:** Provide the Annual burden hours: Multiply the Number of responses and the participation time and divide by 60.