**Meeting of the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans’ Illnesses**

**September 22-23, 2014**

**(1-800-767-1750; access code 50055#)**

**Department of Veteran Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, Room 230, Washington, DC**

**(MONDAY ONLY)**

***Agenda***

**Monday, September 22, 2014**

**8:30 – 9:00 Informal gathering, coffee**

**9:00 – 9:15 Welcome, introductory remarks Mr. Jim Binns, Chairman**

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**9:15 – 10:15 Update of VA OPH Research Portfolio Dr. Robert Bossarte**

 **Dr. Erin Dursa**

 **Ms. Shannon Barth**

**VA Office of Public Health**

**10:15 –10:30 Break**

**10:30 - 11:30 Update of VA ORD Gulf War Research Dr. Victor Kalasinsky**

 **Portfolio Dr. Robert Jaeger**

 **VA Office of Research and Development**

**11:30 – 12:15 Neuroimaging Studies of the Effects of Dr. Linda Chao**

 **Low-Level Sarin Exposure on GW Veterans San Francisco VAMC**

**12:15 - 1:15 Lunch**

**1:15 - 2:15 rTMS in GW Veterans with Chronic Pain Dr. Wesson Ashford and Palo Alto WRIISC Update Palo Alto VA Medical Center**

**2:15 – 3:00 The Efficacy of Low Dose Naltrexone and Dr. William Meggs**

 **Dextromethorphan in Treating GW Illness East Carolina University**

**3:00 – 3:15 Break**

**3:15 – 4:00 The Efficacy of Flupirtine in an Animal Dr. Mohamed Abou Donia**

 **Model of GW Illness and Autoantibody Duke University**

 **Biomarkers of GW Illness**

**4:00 – 4:30 Recognition of Retired/Retiring Committee Dr. Roberta White, Scientific Director**

 **Members Res Adv Cmte Gulf War Illnesses**

**4:30 – 5:00 Public comment**

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**Tuesday, September 23, 2014**

**8:45 – 9:00 Informal gathering, coffee**

**9:00 – 10:45 ‘How-To Discussion:’ GWI Exposure Dr. Kimberly Sullivan, Assoc. Scientific Dir.**

 **Assessment and Biomarker Development Dr. Nancy Klimas**

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**10:45 – 11:00 Break**

**11:00 – 12:00 ‘How-To Discussion:’ GWI Clinical Dr. Beatrice Golomb**

 **Treatments and Study Recruitment Res Adv Cmte Gulf War Illnesses**

**12:00 - 12:30 Committee Discussion: ‘How-To Manual’ Res Adv Cmte Gulf War Illnesses**

**12:30 – 1:00 Public comment**

**1:00 Adjourn**