

**ASSESSMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS PHYSICAL AND MENTAL  
HEALTH EXAMINATIONS AND THE DEPARTMENT'S SCHEDULE OF RATING  
DISABILITIES FOR DISABILITY COMPENSATION CLAIMS RELATED TO MILITARY  
SEXUAL TRAUMA**

**MEETING 3 OPEN SESSION AGENDA**

**THURSDAY MAY 8, 2025**

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**11:25am-11:30am**

**Opening Remarks**

- Hortensia Amaro, Committee Chair

**11:30am-12:15pm**

**Presentations from Veterans Benefits Administration staff**

- Abigail Werner, Policy Liaison, Compensation Service
- Courtney Pederzani, Psy.D., Senior Mental Health Officer, Medical Disability Examination Office
- Konane Stradling, Training Chief, Medical Disability Examination Office

**12:15pm-1:00pm**

**Presentations from Veterans Health Administration staff**

- Henry E. Bridges, M.D., Senior Medical Officer, VHA Office of Disability Medical Assessment
- Stacey Pollack, Ph.D., Senior Consultant, VHA Office of Mental Health
- Amy E. Street, Ph.D., National Director, Military Sexual Trauma, VHA Office of Mental Health

**1:00pm-1:30pm**

**Committee questions and discussion**

**1:30pm-1:35pm**

**Closing Remarks**

- Hortensia Amaro, Committee Chair