# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

# 19th Annual Lenders Conference



# April 10-12, 2018

Hosted at the Hilton Miami Downtown 1601 Biscayne Boulevard Miami, Florida 33132



## VA LOAN GUARANTY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

**Jeff London**, Director, Loan Guaranty Service, Washington, DC

John Bell III, Deputy Director, Loan Guaranty Service, Washington, DC

Alberto Planas, Asst. Director for Oversight, Nashville Regional Benefit Office

Andrew Trevayne, Asst. Director for Loan Management, Washington, DC

Greg Nelms, Chief, Loan Policy, Washington, DC

Jeff Bolla, Program Analyst, Loan Policy, Washington, DC

**Mark Connors**, Lender Liaison, Washington, DC (\*Lenders Conference MC)

Elizabeth White, Asst. Valuation Officer, Atlanta Regional Loan Center

Kathy Bernheim, Asst. Loan Guaranty Officer, St. Petersburg Regional Loan Center

Amy Berumen, Loan Production Officer, Phoenix Regional Loan Center

Phyllis Chilton, Valuation Officer, Phoenix Regional Loan Center

Kevin Diomedi, Valuation Officer, Roanoke Regional Loan Center

**Kevin Eason**, Valuation Officer, Denver Regional Loan Center

Marty Finlin, Valuation Officer, Cleveland Regional Loan Center

Myron Head, Asst. Loan Guaranty Officer, Houston Regional Loan Center

Mark Jamison, Loan Production Officer, Cleveland Regional Loan Center

Kent Koehler, Loan Production Officer, St. Paul Regional Loan Center

Ryan Nelson, Valuation Officer, St. Paul Regional Loan Center

Laura Rodriguez, Loan Production Officer, Houston Regional Loan Center

Dani Terrell, Loan Production Officer, Denver Regional Loan Center

Jennifer Tillery, Asst. Loan Production Officer, Atlanta Regional Loan Center

Peggy Wallace, Loan Production Officer, Roanoke Regional Loan Center

**VO** – Valuation Officer **AVO** – Assistant Valuation Officer **LPO** – Loan Production Officer

**ALPO** – Assistant Loan Production Officer

## **VA LOAN GUARANTY SERVICE (LGY)**

The mission of LGY is to maximize the opportunity for Veterans and Servicemembers to obtain, retain, and adapt homes by providing a viable and fiscally responsible benefit program in recognition of their service to the nation. Created as part of the **Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944** ("G.I. Bill") the VA Home Loan Guaranty Program has helped generations of Veterans afford homeownership - backing over **23 million** home loans for Veterans and their families.

## DAY 1/AGENDA

## TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018

**Location**: Symphony Ballroom

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKERS		
7:30	Registration	Outside the Symphony Ballroom		
8:30	Welcome (starts promptly at 8:30 am)	Mark Connors		
9:00	LGY Director's Address	Jeffrey "Jeff" London		
9:45	Keynote Address	Mike Frueh, VBA Chief of Staff		
	10:15 – <b>Break</b>			
10:35	Notice of Value Conditions	Phyllis Chilton, Myron Head		
11:20	Construction Loans	Kent Koehler, Steve Roberts		
12:30 <b>– Lunch</b>				
2:00	Guest Speaker Honorary Address	Rob Chrisman		
2:45	<b>Renovation Loans</b> : Policy presentation followed by lender panel	Kent Koehler, Ryan Nelson, Elizabeth White Panel of Current Renovation Lenders (Moderated by Greg Nelms)		
	4:00 <b>– Break</b>			
4:15	Open Forum	Policy & Valuation Chiefs, LPOs, VOs		

## **DAY 1 - SESSION DETAILS**

### **NOTICE OF VALUE CONDITIONS**

The conditions on the Notice of Value (NOV) will be the focus of this presentation. While all conditions will be reviewed, the emphasis will be on the most frequently questioned conditions. You will get the most from the AMS alerts in knowing what conditions should be included in the NOV.

### **CONSTRUCTION LOANS**

This presentation will discuss VA's updated policy and guidance on recommended paths for

originating and processing VA construction loans. You will receive an overview on the current state of VA construction loans, as well as explaining why changes to the way lenders are currently processing them is required.

### **RENOVATION LOANS**

Similar in nature to the topics covered in the Construction Loans session, this presentation will discuss VA's updated policy and guidance on Renovation Loans. You'll also have the opportunity to hear best practices from lenders currently making VA Renovation Loans.

## DAY 2/AGENDA

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2018

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKERS			
7:45	Administrative Notes	Mark Connors			
8:00	Guest Speaker: CoreLogic	Frank Nothaft			
8:45	Disaster Certifications	Myron Head, Kathy Bernheim			
9:00	<b>Chapter 10</b> : Property Eligibility and Appraisal Requests	Myron Head, Kathy Bernheim			
9:45	Chapter 4: Credit Underwriting	Mark Jamison, Peggy Wallace			
10:45 <b>– Break</b>					
11:00	<b>Panel:</b> Top 10 Things LPOs want you to know	Laura Rodriguez, Dani Terrell, Jennifer Tillery			
	12:00 <b>– Lunch</b>				
1:30	<b>Panel:</b> Top 10 Things VOs want you to know	Marty Finlin, Kevin Diomedi, Kevin Eason			
2:30	Appraisal Management System (AMS)	Kevin Eason			
3:30 <b>– Break</b>					
3:45	Appraisal Industry Panel	Moderated by John Bell III			

## **DAY 2 - SESSION DETAILS**

### **DISASTER CERTIFICATIONS**

This will discuss what impact and how VA response is dictated during natural disasters.

# CHAPTER 10: PROPERTY ELIGIBILITY AND APPRAISAL REQUESTS

It's here! Chapter 10 of the Lenders handbook. The Circulars have been incorporated and you have a one-stop source for guidance on property eligibility and Appraisal requests. This presentation will feature the "Old vs. New" and highlight frequently asked questions.

### **CHAPTER 4: CREDIT UNDERWRITING**

Arguably the most studied chapter of the VA Lender's Handbook has been revised! The numerous Circulars relating to credit underwriting that we've published over the years have been incorporated into this revised chapter of the Handbook. During this session, we'll will detail the "Old vs. New" and discuss highlights of this highly anticipated revision.

### **TOP 10 THINGS LPOS WANT YOU TO KNOW**

During this session, VA Loan Production Officers (LPO) will discuss the many facets of their operations and you'll gain a valuable insight into best practices

### **TOP 10 THINGS VOS WANT YOU TO KNOW**

VA Valuation Officers (VO) will present some of the most frequently asked topics from across the country and share some best practices.

### **APPRAISAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (AMS)**

This in-depth discussion includes changes to AMS automation and LoanSafe Appraisal Manager (LSAM). We will look at the scoring of appraisals and appraisers from a valuation and

integrity perspective. You will also learn more about VA cursory and full reviews.

### **APPRAISAL PANEL**

This will be an industry panel with panelists from multiple companies or agencies that will discuss major changes, initiatives, and issues surrounding the appraisal industry as well as take a look at how other agencies and conventional programs compare to VA.

# DAY 3/AGENDA

## THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2018

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKERS
7:45	Administrative Notes	Mark Connors
8:00	VALERI-R Vision	John Bell III
8:45	Lender Site Visits	Alberto Planas
9:45	Chapter 6: Refinancing Loans and IRRRLs	Greg Nelms, Amy Berumen
	10:45 – Break	
11:00	Lender Industry Panel	Moderated by John Bell III
	12:15 – Lunch	
1:45	Scorecards	Greg Nelms
	2:45 – Break	
3:05	Open Forum	Policy & Valuation Chiefs; LPOs, VOs
4:50	Closing Remarks	Mark Connors

## **DAY 3 - SESSION DETAILS**

#### **VALERI-R VISION**

VA Executives will walk through the vision of the end-to-end solution that will allow us to monitor performance from origination to servicing.

### **LENDER SITE VISITS**

This forum will walk you through the expectations and procedures regarding virtual and on-site lender audits.

### **CHAPTER 6: REFINANCING AND IRRRLS**

This will update you on policy, legislation, and performance captured in the VA refinance marketplace.

#### **LENDER PANEL**

This panel consists of industry participants from Lenders and will discuss major changes, initiatives, and issues concerning VA lending as well as look at other programs and how they compare.

### **S**CORECARDS

This will discuss overall VA performance and your performance as it relates to how you will be monitored and measured moving forward. *Metrics Matter!* 

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