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AMPN/DODI 6200.05/FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION QUALITY ASSURANCE (FHPQA) PROGRAM//

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IMMUNIZATIONS AND CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS FOR THE PREVENTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES//

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AMPN/DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/CLARIFYING GUIDANCE FOR SMALLPOX AND ANTHRAX VACCINE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMS//

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AMPN/DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/ANTHRAX VACCINE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM//

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AMPN/ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/CLINICAL POLICY FOR THE

ADMINISTRATION OF THE ANTHRAX VACCINE ABSORBED//

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AMPN/PERSONAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST INSECTS AND OTHER ARTHROPODS OF MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE//

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AMPN/DODI 6485.01/HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) IN MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS//

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AMPN/ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/POLICY FOR PRE AND POST DEPLOYMENT SERUM COLLECTION//

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AMPN/DODI 6465.1/ERYTHROCYTE GLUCOSE-6-PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE DEFICIENCY (G6PD) AND SICKLE CELL TRAIT SCREENING PROGRAMS//

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AMPN/ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/GUIDELINE FOR TUBERCULOSIS SCREENING AND TESTING//

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AMPN/ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/IMPLEMENTATION OF REVISED DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FORMS 2795, 2796 AND 2900//

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AMPN/DODI 6490.13/COMPREHENSIVE POLICY ON TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY-RELATED NEUROCOGNITIVE ASSESSMENTS BY THE MILITARY SERVICES//

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AMPN/DODI 6490.12/MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT FOR SERVICE MEMBERS DEPLOYED IN CONNECTION WITH A CONTINGENCY OPERATION//

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AMPN/DODI 1322.24/MEDICAL READINESS TRAINING (MRT)//

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AMPN/DODI 6420.01/NATIONAL CENTER MEDICAL INTELLIGENCE (NCMI)//

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AMPN/GUIDANCE ON MEDICATIONS FOR THE PROPHYLAXIS OF MALARIA//

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AMPN/ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/NOTIFICATION FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS OF MEFLOQUINE BOX WARNING//

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AMPN/ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/UPDATED POLICY FOR PREVENTION OF ARTHROPOD-BORNE DISEASES AMONG DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PERSONNEL DEPLOYED TO ENDEMIC AREAS//

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AMPN/MCM-0028-07/PROCEDURES FOR DEPLOYMENT HEALTH SURVEILLANCE//

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AMPN/CCR 40-2/DEPLOYMENT FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION//

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AMPN/ARMED FORCES REPORTABLE MEDICAL EVENTS GUIDELINES & CASE DEFINITIONS//

REF/HH/ DOC/CENTCOM/OCT2012//

AMPN/UNITED STATES CENTRAL COMMAND HEALTHCARE INFORMATION SYSTEM USE POLICY//

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AMPN/DODI 6490.11/DOD POLICY GUIDANCE FOR MANAGEMENT OF MILD TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY/ AND CONCUSSION IN THE DEPLOYED SETTING//

REF/JJ/DOC/OTSG/25JUL2017//

AMPN/MEDCOM POLICY MEMO 17-044/STINGING INSECT ALLERGY RETENTION AND READINESS POLICY//

REF/KK/DOC/ASD(HA)/07OCT2013//

AMPN/ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMO/CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES FOR DEPLOYMENT LIMITING MENTAL DISORDERS AND PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATIONS//

REF/LL/DOC/USD(P&R)/01OCT2016//

AMPN/DODI 1300.28/IN-SERVICE TRANSITION FOR TRANSGENDER SERVICE MEMBERS//

REF/MM/DOC/HHS/OCT2015//

STIMULANT AND RELATED MEDICATIONS: U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION-APPROVED INDICATIONS AND DOSAGES FOR USE IN ADULTS//

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- RMKS/1. (U) THIS IS MODIFICATION FOURTEEN TO USCENTCOM INDIVIDUAL PROTECTION AND INDIVIDUAL/UNIT DEPLOYMENT POLICY. IN SUMMARY, MODIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE TO PARAGRAPH 15 FROM MOD THIRTEEN, REF B.
- **1.A.** PARAGRAPH 15 REQUIRED NUMEROUS CHANGES; THEREFORE, IT IS BEING REPUBLISHED IN ITS ENTIRETY. MOD 14 SUPERSEDES ALL PREVIOUS VERSIONS.
- **1.B.** PARAGRAPH 15 OF REF A HAS BEEN TOTALLY REWRITTEN AS FOLLOWS:

15.A. DEFINITIONS.

- **15.A.1. DEPLOYMENT.** FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES, THE DEFINITION OF DEPLOYMENT IS TRAVEL TO OR THROUGH THE USCENTCOM AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY (AOR), WITH EXPECTED OR ACTUAL TIME IN COUNTRY (PHYSICALLY PRESENT, EXCLUDING IN-TRANSIT OR TRAVEL TIME) FOR A PERIOD OF GREATER THAN 30 DAYS, EXCLUDING SHIPBOARD OPERATIONS, AS DEFINED IN REF.C.
- **15.A.2. TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY).** TDY MISSIONS ARE THOSE MISSIONS WITH TIME IN COUNTRY OF 30 DAYS OR LESS.
- 15.A.3. PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION (PCS). PCS PERSONNEL, INCLUDING EMBASSY PERSONNEL, WILL COORDINATE WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE SERVICE COMPONENT MEDICAL PERSONNEL FOR MEDICAL GUIDANCE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR PCS TO SPECIFIC COUNTRIES IN THE USCENTCOM AOR. AUTHORIZED DEPENDENTS MUST PROCESS THROUGH THE OVERSEAS SCREENING PROCESS AND EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM (EFMP), IF REQUIRED. ALL PERSONNEL MUST BE CURRENT WITH ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNIZATION PRACTICES (ACIP) IMMUNIZATION GUIDELINES AND DOD TRAVEL GUIDELINES. HOST NATION IMMUNIZATION AND MEDICAL SCREENING REQUIREMENTS APPLY. PORTIONS OF MOD 14 WILL APPLY AS DELINEATED IN TAB B.
- **15.A.4. SHIPBOARD PERSONNEL.** ALL SHIPBOARD PERSONNEL WHO DEPLOY INTO THE AOR MUST HAVE CURRENT SEA DUTY SCREENING AND REMAIN FULLY MEDICALLY READY FOLLOWING ANNUAL PERIODIC HEALTH ASSESSMENT (PHA). DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT PER 15.H APPLIES IF DEPLOYED TO OCONUS FOR GREATER THAN 30 DAYS WITH NON-FIXED U.S. MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES (MTF).
- 15.B. APPLICABILITY. THIS MOD APPLIES TO U. S. MILITARY PERSONNEL, TO INCLUDE ACTIVATED RESERVE AND NATIONAL GUARD PERSONNEL, DOD CIVILIANS, DOD CONTRACTORS, DOD SUB-CONTRACTORS, VOLUNTEERS, AND THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS (TCN) TRAVELING OR DEPLOYING TO THE CENTCOM AOR AND WORKING UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE DOD. LOCAL NATIONALS (LN) WILL MEET THE MINIMAL MEDICAL STANDARDS ADDRESSED IN SECTION 15.C.1.F. MILITARY WORKING DOGS (MWD) AND CONTRACT WORKING DOGS (CWD) WILL MEET MINIMAL STANDARDS ADDRESSED IN SECTION 15.C.1.G.
- 15.C. MEDICAL DEPLOYABILITY. THE FINAL AUTHORITY FOR ENTRY INTO THE CENTCOM AOR RESTS WITH THE CENTCOM SURGEON AND MAY BE DELEGATED TO CENTCOM SERVICE COMPONENT SURGEONS. THE DEPLOYER'S MEDICAL EVALUATING ENTITY OR DEPLOYING PLATFORM OR COMMANDER ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO WAIVE MEDICAL DEPLOYMENT STANDARDS. DEPLOYED HEALTH SERVICE SUPPORT INFRASTRUCTURE IS DESIGNED AND PRIORITIZED TO PROVIDE ACUTE AND EMERGENCY SUPPORT TO THE EXPEDITIONARY MISSION. ALL PERSONNEL (UNIFORMED SERVICE MEMBERS, GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, DOD CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES), CONTRACT WORKING DOGS (CWD) AND MWD TRAVELING TO THE CENTCOM AOR MUST MEET MEDICAL, DENTAL, AND

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FITNESS STANDARDS, AND BE REASONABLY EXPECTED TO REMAIN SO FOR THE DURATION OF THEIR DEPLOYMENT. INDIVIDUALS DEEMED UNABLE TO COMPLY WITH CENTCOM DEPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS ARE DISQUALIFIED FOR DEPLOYMENT IAW SERVICE POLICY AND MOD 14. PERSONNEL FOUND TO BE MEDICALLY NON-DEPLOYABLE WHILE OUTSIDE OF THE CENTCOM AOR FOR ANY LENGTH OF TIME WILL NOT ENTER OR RE-ENTER THE THEATER UNTIL THE NON-DEPLOYABLE CONDITION IS COMPLETELY RESOLVED OR AN APPROVED WAIVER FROM A CENTCOM WAIVER AUTHORITY IS OBTAINED. SEE REF D, E, F, G, H. DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ARE COVERED BY THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973. AS SUCH, AN APPARENTLY DISQUALIFYING MEDICAL CONDITION NEVERTHELESS REQUIRES THAT AN INDIVIDUALIZED ASSESSMENT BE MADE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE EMPLOYEE CAN PERFORM THE ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS OF THEIR POSITION IN THE DEPLOYED ENVIRONMENT, WITH OR WITHOUT REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION, WITHOUT CAUSING UNDUE HARDSHIP. IN EVALUATING UNDUE HARDSHIP, THE NATURE OF THE ACCOMMODATION AND THE LOCATION OF THE DEPLOYMENT MUST BE CONSIDERED. FURTHER, THE EMPLOYEE'S MEDICAL CONDITION MUST NOT POSE A SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF SIGNIFICANT HARM TO THE EMPLOYEE OR OTHERS WHEN TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE CONDITIONS OF THE RELEVANT DEPLOYED ENVIRONMENT. SEE REF I.

15.C.1. MEDICAL FITNESS, INITIAL AND ANNUAL SCREENING.

- 15.C.1.A. MEDICAL READINESS PROCESSING. THE MEDICAL SECTION OF THE DEPLOYMENT SCREENING SITE MAY PUBLISH GUIDANCE, IAW MOD14 AND SERVICE STANDARDS, TO ASSIST IN DETERMINING MEDICAL DEPLOYMENT FITNESS. DEPLOYING PERSONNEL MUST HAVE AN EVALUATION BY A MEDICAL PROVIDER TO DETERMINE IF THEY CAN SAFELY DEPLOY AND OBTAIN AN APPROVED WAIVER FOR ANY DISQUALIFYING MEDICAL CONDITION(S) FROM THE COMPONENT SURGEON OR CENTCOM SURGEON PRIOR TO DEPLOYING.
- **15.C.1.B.** FITNESS INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE ABILITY TO ACCOMPLISH ALL REQUIRED TASKS AND DUTIES, BY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS OR DUTY POSITION, CONSIDERING THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS OF THE DEPLOYED LOCATION. AT A MINIMUM, PERSONNEL MUST BE ABLE TO WEAR BALLISTIC, RESPIRATORY, SAFETY, CHEMICAL, AND BIOLOGICAL PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT; USE REQUIRED PROPHYLACTIC MEDICATIONS; AND INGRESS/EGRESS IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS WITH MINIMAL RISK TO THEMSELVES OR OTHERS.
- 15.C.1.C. EXAMINATION INTERVALS. AN EXAMINATION WITH ALL MEDICAL ISSUES AND REQUIREMENTS ADDRESSED WILL REMAIN VALID FOR A MAXIMUM OF 15 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE PHYSICAL, OR 12 MONTHS FOLLOWING DEPLOYMENT, WHICHEVER IS FIRST. SEE TAB A AND REF D, J, K, L FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE. GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, AND DOD CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL DEPLOYED FOR MULTIPLE OR EXTENDED TOURS OF MORE THAN 12 MONTHS MUST BE RE-EVALUATED FOR FITNESS TO STAY DEPLOYED. ANNUAL IN-THEATER RESCREENING MAY BE FOCUSED ON HEALTH CHANGES, VACCINATION CURRENCY, AND MONITORING OF EXISTING CONDITIONS RATHER THAN BEING COMPREHENSIVE, BUT SHOULD CONTINUE TO MEET ALL MEDICAL GUIDANCE AS PRESCRIBED IN MOD 14. UNLESS SPECIFICALLY OBLIGATED BY CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT, EXPEDITIONARY MILITARY MEDICAL ASSETS ARE NOT TO BE USED FOR RE-EVALUATION OF CONTRACTORS TO STAY DEPLOYED. IF INDIVIDUALS ARE UNABLE TO ADEQUATELY COMPLETE THEIR MEDICAL SCREENING EVALUATION IN THE AOR, THEY SHOULD BE REDEPLOYED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS YEARLY REQUIREMENT. PERIODIC HEALTH SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS AND PRESCRIPTION NEEDS ASSESSMENTS SHOULD REMAIN CURRENT THROUGH THE DEPLOYMENT PERIOD.
- **15.C.1.D.** SPECIALIZED GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES WHO MUST MEET SPECIFIC PHYSICAL STANDARDS (E.G., FIREFIGHTERS, SECURITY GUARDS, POLICE, AVIATORS, AVIATION

CREW MEMBERS, AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS, DIVERS, MARINE CRAFT OPERATORS, COMMERCIAL DRIVERS, ETC.) MUST MEET THOSE STANDARDS WITHOUT EXCEPTION, IN ADDITION TO BEING FOUND FIT FOR THE SPECIFIC DEPLOYMENT BY A MEDICAL AND DENTAL EVALUATION PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT IAW MOD 14. CERTIFICATIONS MUST BE VALID AND RENEWED AS REQUIRED THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRETY OF THE DEPLOYMENT. IT IS UP TO THE INDIVIDUAL TO PLAN FOR AND RECERTIFY THEIR RESPECTIVE REQUIREMENTS.

- **15.C.1.E.** DOD CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES MUST MEET STANDARDS OF FITNESS FOR DEPLOYMENT AND MUST BE DOCUMENTED TO BE FIT FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES, WITHOUT LIMITATIONS, BY MEDICAL AND DENTAL EVALUATION PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT IAW MOD 14. CONTRACTORS MUST COMPLY WITH REF J AND SPECIFICALLY ENCLOSURE 3 FOR MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS. EVALUATIONS SHOULD BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE DEPLOYMENT PLATFORM.
- **15.C.1.E.1.** PREDEPLOYMENT AND/OR TRAVEL MEDICINE SERVICES FOR CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING COMPLIANCE WITH IMMUNIZATION, DNA, AND PANOGRAPH REQUIREMENTS, EVALUATION OF FITNESS, AND ANNUAL SCREENING ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTING AGENCY PER THE CONTRACTUAL REQUIREMENTS. QUESTIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE SUPPORTED COMMAND'S CONTRACTING AND MEDICAL AUTHORITY. SEE TAB A AND REF J FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE.
- 15.C.1.E.2. ALL CONTRACTING AGENCIES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF MEDICAL SCREENING FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES. SCREENING MUST BE COMPLETED BY A MEDICAL PROVIDER LICENSED IN A COUNTRY WITH OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF THE MEDICAL PROFESSION, AND A COPY OF THE COMPLETED MEDICAL SCREENING DOCUMENTATION, IN ENGLISH, MUST BE MAINTAINED BY THE CONTRACTOR. DOCUMENTATION MAY BE REQUESTED BY BASE OPERATIONS CENTER PERSONNEL PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF ACCESS BADGES AS WELL AS BY MEDICAL PERSONNEL FOR COMPLIANCE REVIEWS. INSTALLATION COMMANDERS, IN CONCERT WITH THEIR LOCAL MEDICAL ASSETS AND CONTRACTING REPRESENTATIVES, MAY CONDUCT QUALITY ASSURANCE AUDITS TO VERIFY THE VALIDITY OF MEDICAL SCREENINGS.
- 15.C.1.E.3. CONTRACTOR EXPENSE. IAW REF J, CONTRACTORS WILL PROVIDE PREDEPLOYMENT MEDICAL AND DENTAL EVALUATIONS. ANNUAL IN THEATER RESCREENING, IF REQUIRED, WILL BE AT CONTRACTOR EXPENSE. REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS OUTLINED IN THE FOREIGN CLEARANCE GUIDE (https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil) for the countries to be visited, as well as those outlined in paragraph 15.F. of this mod, will be done at contractor expense. The sole exception to this policy is anthrax vaccine, which will be provided at military expense. See ref c, J, O. a disqualifying medical condition, as determined by an in-theater qualified medical provider, will be immediately reported to the contractor employee's contracting officer with a recommendation that the contractor be immediately redeployed and replaced at contractor expense unless an approved waiver is obtained. All the above expenses will be covered by the contractor unless otherwise specified in the contract.
- 15.C.1.F. LN AND TCN EMPLOYEES. MINIMUM SCREENING REQUIREMENTS ARE:
- **15.C.1.F.1.** PRE-EMPLOYMENT AND ANNUAL MEDICAL SCREENING OF LN AND TCN EMPLOYEES IS NOT TO BE PERFORMED IN MILITARY MTFS. LOCAL CONTRACTING AGENCIES MUST KEEP DOCUMENTATION FROM ALL REQUIREMENTS LISTED IN PARA. 15.C.1.E.1.
- **15.C.1.F.2.** ALL LN AND TCN EMPLOYEES WHOSE JOB REQUIRES CLOSE OR FREQUENT CONTACT WITH NON-LN/TCN PERSONNEL (E.G., DINING FACILITY WORKERS, SECURITY PERSONNEL, INTERPRETERS, ETC.) MUST BE SCREENED FOR TUBERCULOSIS (TB) USING AN ANNUAL SYMPTOM SCREEN. A TUBERCULIN SKIN TEST (TST) IS UNRELIABLE AS A STAND-

- ALONE SCREENING TEST FOR TB DISEASE IN LN/TCN PERSONNEL AND SHOULD NOT BE USED. SPECIFIC QUESTIONS REGARDING APPROPRIATE SCREENING OF DETAINEES, PRISON GUARDS AND OTHER HIGHER RISK POPULATIONS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE THEATER PREVENTIVE MEDICINE CONSULTANT THROUGH UNIT MEDICAL PERSONNEL.
- **15.C.1.F.3.** LN AND TCN EMPLOYEES INVOLVED IN FOOD SERVICE, WATER, AND ICE PRODUCTION MUST BE SCREENED ANNUALLY FOR SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE. CONTRACTORS MUST ENSURE EMPLOYEES RECEIVE TYPHOID AND HEPATITIS A VACCINATIONS AND THIS INFORMATION MUST BE DOCUMENTED IN THE EMPLOYEES' MEDICAL RECORD / SCREENING DOCUMENTATION.
- **15.C.1.F.4.** FURTHER GUIDANCE REGARDING MEDICAL SUITABILITY OR FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION MAY BE PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL TASK FORCE COMMANDER OR EQUIVALENT IN CONSULTATION WITH THEIR MILITARY MEDICAL ASSETS.
- **15.C.1.G. WORKING DOGS.** ONLY THOSE ANIMALS FORMALLY CLASSIFIED AS A MILITARY WORKING DOG (MWD) OR CONTRACT WORKING DOG (CWD), AND DEPLOYED WITH APPROPRIATE HANDLERS FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE, ARE AUTHORIZED. ENSURE APPROPRIATE KENNELING, VETERINARY SUPPORT, AND FOOD PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT. MWD DEPLOYING TO THE CENTCOM AOR MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS.
- **15.C.1.G.1.** MWDS/CWDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE IMPORT REQUIREMENTS OF THE COUNTRIES TO WHICH THEY TRAVEL. REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT OFFICIAL NOTICE TO DOD. VETERINARY CORPS OFFICERS (VCOS) RESPONSIBLE TO PREPARE DOGS FOR DEPLOYMENT WILL REVIEW HOST NATION IMPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR ANY COUNTRIES THE MWDS/CWDS MAY TRAVEL TO, OR TRANSIT THROUGH, TO ENSURE ASSOCIATED REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.
- **15.C.1.G.2.** ONLY MWDS/CWDS ASSIGNED DEPLOYMENT CATEGORY 1 WILL DEPLOY INTO THE CENTCOM AOR. MWDS/CWDS ASSIGNED CATEGORIES 2-4 ARE ONLY AUTHORIZED TO DEPLOY INTO THE CENTCOM AOR AFTER RECEIVING A MEDICAL WAIVER FROM THE ARCENT VCO. MWD/CWD DEPLOYMENT CATEGORIES ARE DEFINED IN PARA 2.15 OF REF NN.
- **15.C.1.G.3.** MWD DEPLOYING TO THE CENTCOM AOR MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS.
- **15.C.1.G.3.A.** BE IMPLANTED WITH A EUROPEAN UNION (EU) APPROVED 15 DIGIT ISO 11784/11785-307 COMPLIANT MICROCHIP.
- **15.C.1.G.3.B.** CURRENT ON RABIES AND DISTEMPER/ADENO/PARVOVIRU (DAP) AND LEPTOSPIROSIS VACCINES, GIVEN WITHIN 2 MONTHS OF DEPLOYMENT.
- **15.C.1.G.3.C.** THE RED SEMI-ANNUAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION (RSAPE) WITH ALL NECESSARY LABORATORY TESTS COMPLETED PERFORMED PRIOR TO TRAVEL, AS WELL AS 4DX SNAP TESTS FOR DIROFILARIA AND TICK BORNE DISEASES, AND DETAILED ANESTHETIZED ORAL 313 EXAM TO INCLUDE ALL TEETH.
- **15.C.1.G.3.D.** FLUORESCENT ANTIBODY VIRUS NEUTRALIZATION (FAVN) TITERS ARE REQUIRED FOR ANY WORKING DOG THAT IS TRAVELING FROM A GULF STATE (EXCLUDING BAHRAIN) THROUGH EUROPE. VCOS WILL ENSURE THE MOST RECENT FAVN IS SUFFICIENT (> 0.5 IU/ML), LINKED TO THEIR 15 DIGIT ISO MICROCHIP, AND THEIR RABIES VACCINE COVERAGE HAS NEVER LAPSED SINCE THE FAVN WAS PERFORMED.
- **15.C.1.G.3.E.** ANY WORKING DOG DEPLOYING TO THE CENTCOM AOR WILL ARRIVE WITH, AT MINIMUM, THEIR TOUR'S WORTH OF ALL NECESSARY PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS, IN ADDITION TO HEARTGUARD AND FLEA AND TICK CONTROL (INCLUDING ADVANTIX AND SCALIBOR/SERESTO COLLARS). DOGS THAT MAY GO TO EGYPT REQUIRE PRAZIQUANTEL FOR THE COUNTRY'S TAPEWORM TREATMENT REQUIREMENT.
- **15.C.1.G.3.F.** WORKING DOGS WITH A HISTORY OF HEAT INJURY ARE INELIGIBLE TO DEPLOY TO THE CENTCOM AOR.
- **15.C.2. UNFIT PERSONNEL.** CASES OF IN-THEATER/DEPLOYED PERSONNEL IDENTIFIED AS UNFIT, IAW THIS MOD 14, DUE TO CONDITIONS THAT EXISTED PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE APPROPRIATE COMPONENT SURGEON FOR DETERMINATION REGARDING POTENTIAL MEDICAL WAIVER OR REDEPLOYMENT. FINDINGS/ACTIONS WILL BE

FORWARDED TO THE CENTCOM SURGEON AT <u>CENTCOM.MACDILL.CENTCOM-HQ.MBX.CCSG-WAIVER@MAIL.MIL.</u>

15.C.3. MEDICAL WAIVERS.

- 15.C.3.A. MEDICAL WAIVER APPROVAL AUTHORITY.
- 15.C.3.A.1. MEDICAL WAIVER APPROVAL AUTHORITY LIES AT THE COMBATANT COMMAND SURGEON LEVEL IAW REF I, K, M, AND IS DELEGATED TO THE USCENTCOM COMPONENT SURGEONS FOR ALL DEPLOYING PERSONNEL WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE COMPONENT FOR ALL HEALTH CONDITIONS, EXCLUDING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONDITIONS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ISOLATED SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS (SUD) AND ISSUES. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WAIVERS ARE INITIALLY EVALUATED BY THE RESPECTIVE SERVICE COMPONENT, AND MAY BE REFUSED AT THAT LEVEL. SUD MAY BE DISPOSITIONED BY THE SERVICE COMPONENT, HOWEVER APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR ALL OTHER BH CONDITIONS RESIDES WITH THE CENTCOM SURGEON. MWD/CWD WAIVERS WILL BE EVALUATED BY THE ARCENT VETERINARY CORPS OFFICER (VCO). SENDING UNIT COMMANDER OR DESIGNEE ENDORSEMENT OF UNIFORMED SERVICE MEMBER WAIVERS IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO SUBMISSION IN ORDER TO ENSURE COMMAND AWARENESS.
- **15.C.3.A.2.** CONTRACTORS' AND SUB CONTRACTORS' RESPECTIVE SERVICE AFFILIATION IS DETERMINED BY THE 'CONTRACTOR ISSUING AGENCY' BLOCK ON THEIR 'LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION', AND WAIVERS SHOULD BE SENT TO THE APPROPRIATE SERVICE COMPONENT WAIVER AUTHORITY. SEE SECTION 15.C.3.C. THE CENTCOM SURGEON IS THE WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR DOD CIVILIANS, CONTRACTORS, AND ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, AMERICAN RED CROSS, ETC., WHO ARE NOT DIRECTLY ASSOCIATED WITH A PARTICULAR CENTCOM COMPONENT.
- **15.C.3.A.3.** AN INDIVIDUAL MAY BE MEDICALLY DISQUALIFIED BY THE LOCAL MEDICAL AUTHORITY OR CHAIN OF COMMAND. AN INDIVIDUALIZED ASSESSMENT IS STILL REQUIRED FOR DOD. SEE PARA. 15.C AND REF I. AUTHORITY TO APPROVE DEPLOYMENT OF ANY PERSON (UNIFORMED OR CIVILIAN) WITH DISQUALIFYING MEDICAL CONDITIONS LIES SOLELY WITH THE CENTCOM SURGEON AND THE CENTCOM SERVICE COMPONENT SURGEONS WHO HAVE BEEN DELEGATED THIS AUTHORITY BY THE CENTCOM SURGEON.
- **15.C.3.B.** WAIVER PROCESS. IF A MEDICAL WAIVER IS DESIRED, LOCAL MEDICAL PERSONNEL WILL INFORM THE NON-DEPLOYABLE INDIVIDUAL AND THE UNIT COMMAND/SUPERVISOR ABOUT THE WAIVER PROCESS AS FOLLOWS.
- 15.C.3.B.1. AUTHORIZED AGENTS (LOCAL MEDICAL PROVIDER, COMMANDER/SUPERVISOR, REPRESENTATIVE) WILL FORWARD A COMPLETED MEDICAL WAIVER REQUEST FORM (TAB C), TO BE ADJUDICATED BY THE APPROPRIATE SURGEON IAW PARAGRAPH 15.C.3.C. ADJUDICATION WILL ACCOUNT FOR SPECIFIC MEDICAL SUPPORT CAPABILITIES IN THE LOCAL REGION OF THE AOR. WAIVER SUBMISSION BY OR THROUGH A MEDICAL AUTHORITY IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO AVOID UNNECESSARY ADJUDICATION DELAYS DUE TO INCOMPLETE INFORMATION. THE CASE SUMMARY PORTION OF THE WAIVER SHOULD INCLUDE A SYNOPSIS OF THE CONCERNING CONDITION(S) AND ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO INCLUDE THE PROVIDER'S ASSESSMENT OF ABILITY TO DEPLOY.

 15.C.3.B.2. THE SIGNED WAIVER WILL BE RETURNED TO THE REQUEST ORIGINATOR FOR INCLUSION IN THE PATIENT'S DEPLOYMENT MEDICAL RECORD AND THE ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORD (EMR). DISAPPROVALS MUST BE DOCUMENTED AND SHOULD NOT BE GIVEN TELEPHONICALLY.
- **15.C.3.B.3.** A CENTCOM WAIVER DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE NEED FOR SERVICE-SPECIFIC MEDICAL WAIVERS (E.G., SMALL ARMS WAIVERS) OR OCCUPATIONAL MEDICAL WAIVERS (E.G., AVIATORS, COMMERCIAL TRUCK DRIVERS, ETC.) IF REQUIRED.

15.C.3.B.4. APPEAL PROCESS. IF THE SENDING UNIT DISAGREES WITH THE COMPONENT SURGEON'S DECISION, AN APPEAL MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE CENTCOM SURGEON. IF THE DISAGREEMENT IS WITH THE CENTCOM SURGEON'S DECISION, AN APPEAL MAY BE COORDINATED WITH THE INDIVIDUAL'S CHAIN OF COMMAND, THROUGH THE CENTCOM SURGEON, TO THE CENTCOM CHIEF OF STAFF FOR EXEMPTION TO POLICY CONSIDERATION. **15.C.3.B.5.** WAIVERS ARE APPROVED FOR A MAXIMUM OF 15 MONTHS OR FOR THE TIMEFRAME SPECIFIED ON THE WAIVER (TAB C). WAIVER COVERAGE BEGINS ON THE DATE OF THE INITIAL DEPLOYMENT.

15.C.3.B.6. WAIVERS MAY BE APPROVED, AT THE WAIVER AUTHORITY'S SOLE DISCRETION, FOR PERIODS OF TIME (E.G. 90 DAYS) SHORTER THAN THE SCHEDULED DEPLOYMENT DURATION IN ORDER TO REQUIRE REASSESSMENT OF A MEDICAL CONDITION. SUCH WAIVERS WILL INCLUDE RESUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS. ALL LABS, ASSESSMENTS, ETC. REQUIRED FOR RESUBMISSION ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EMPLOYEE TO OBTAIN AND SUBMIT. **15.C.3.B.7.** ALL ADJUDICATING SURGEONS WILL MAINTAIN A WAIVER DATABASE AND RECORD ALL WAIVER REQUESTS.

15.C.3.C. CONTACTS FOR WAIVERS

15.C.3.C.1. CENTCOM SURGEON.

CENTCOM.MACDILL.CENTCOM-HQ.MBX.CCSG-WAIVER@MAIL.MIL;

CML: 813.529.0361: DSN: 312.529.0361

15.C.3.C.2. AFCENT SURGEON. USCENTAFSG.ORGBOX@AFCENT.AF.MIL;

CML: 803.717.7101; DSN: 313.717.7101

15.C.3.C.3. ARCENT SURGEON. USARMY.SHAW.USARCENT.MBX.SURG-WAIVER@MAIL.MIL;

CML: 803.885.7946; DSN: 312.889.7946

15.C.3.C.4. MARCENT SURGEON. COMUSMARCENTFORCESURGEON@USMC.MIL;

CML: 813.827.7175; DSN: 312.651.7175

15.C.3.C.5. NAVCENT SURGEON. CUSNC.MEDWAIVERS@ME.NAVY.MIL;

CML: 011.973.1785.4558; DSN: 318.439.4558

15.C.3.C.6. SOCCENT SURGEON. SOCCENT.SG@SOCOM.MIL;

CML: 813.828.7351; DSN: 312.968.7351

15.D. PHARMACY.

15.D.1. SUPPLY. PERSONNEL WHO REQUIRE MEDICATION AND WHO ARE DEPLOYING TO THE CENTCOM AOR WILL DEPLOY WITH NO LESS THAN A 180 DAY SUPPLY (OR APPROPRIATE AMOUNT FOR SHORTER DEPLOYMENTS) OF THEIR MAINTENANCE MEDICATIONS WITH ARRANGEMENTS TO OBTAIN A SUFFICIENT SUPPLY TO COVER THE REMAINDER OF THE DEPLOYMENT USING A FOLLOW-ON REFILL PRESCRIPTION. TRICARE ELIGIBLE PERSONNEL WILL OBTAIN FOLLOW-ON REFILL PRESCRIPTIONS FROM THE TRICARE MAIL ORDER PHARMACY (TMOP) DEPLOYED PRESCRIPTION PROGRAM (DPP) OR EXPRESS SCRIPTS. INFORMATION ON THIS PROGRAM MAY BE FOUND AT https://www.express-scripts.com/tricare/tools/deployedrx.shtml.

15.D.2. EXCEPTIONS. EXCEPTIONS TO THE 180 DAY PRESCRIPTION QUANTITY REQUIREMENT INCLUDE:

15.D.2.A. PERSONNEL REQUIRING MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLACTIC MEDICATIONS (DOXYCYCLINE, ATOVAQUONE/PROGUANIL, ETC.) WILL DEPLOY WITH EITHER ENOUGH MEDICATION FOR THEIR ENTIRE DEPLOYMENT OR WITH ENOUGH TO COVER APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THE DEPLOYMENT WITH PLANS TO RECEIVE THE REMAINDER OF THEIR MEDICATION IN THEATER (EXCLUDING PRIMAQUINE FOR TERMINAL PROPHYLAXIS) BASED ON UNIT PREFERENCE. UNITS WILL DISTRIBUTE TERMINAL PROPHYLAXIS UPON REDEPLOYMENT. THE DEPLOYMENT PERIOD WILL INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL 28 DAYS AFTER LEAVING THE MALARIA RISK AREA (FOR DOXYCYCLINE) OR 7 DAYS (FOR ATOVAQUONE/PROGUANIL) TO ACCOUNT

FOR REQUIRED PRIMARY PROPHYLAXIS. TERMINAL PROPHYLAXIS WITH PRIMAQUINE FOR 14 DAYS SHOULD BEGIN ONCE THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBER HAS LEFT THE AREA OF MALARIA RISK. **15.D.2.B.** PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATION MAY BE DISPENSED FOR UP TO A 180 DAY SUPPLY WITH NO REFILL.

- **15.D.2.B.1.** THE PROVIDER MAY PRESCRIBE A LIMITED QUANTITY (I.E., AT LEAST A 90 DAY SUPPLY) WITH NO REFILLS TO FACILITATE CLINICAL FOLLOW-UP IN THEATER.
- 15.D.2.B.2. PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATIONS AUTHORIZED FOR UP TO A 180 DAYS SUPPLY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO; ANTI-DEPRESSANTS, ANTI-ANXIETY (NON CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES), NON-CLASS 2 (CII) STIMULANTS, AND ANTI-SEIZURE MEDICATIONS USED FOR MOOD DISORDERS. THIS TERM ALSO ENCOMPASSES THE GENERIC EQUIVALENTS OF THE ABOVE MEDICATION CATEGORIES WHEN USED FOR NON-PSYCHOTROPIC INDICATIONS.
 15.D.2.C. ALL DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY (DEA) CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (SCHEDULE I-V) ARE LIMITED TO A 90 DAY SUPPLY WITH NO REFILLS. AN APPROVED WAIVER MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE CENTCOM WAIVER AUTHORITY PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT, AND IS REQUIRED FOR ALL RENEWALS. CLINICAL FOLLOW-UP IN THEATER SHOULD BE SOUGHT AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN MEDICATION RENEWALS.
- 15.D.3. PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION ANALYSIS AND REPORTING TOOL (PMART). SOLDIER READINESS PROCESSING (SRP) AND OTHER DEPLOYMENT PLATFORM PROVIDER/PHARMACY AND UNIT MEDICAL OFFICER PERSONNEL WILL MAXIMIZE THE USE OF THE PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION ANALYSIS AND REPORTING TOOL (PMART) TO SCREEN DEPLOYING PERSONNEL FOR HIGH-RISK MEDICATIONS, AS WELL AS TO IDENTIFY MEDICATIONS WHICH ARE TEMPERATURE-SENSITIVE, OVER THE COUNTER (FOR SITUATIONAL AWARENESS REGARDING MEDICATION INTERACTION), OR NOT AVAILABLE ON THE CENTCOM FORMULARY AND/OR THROUGH THE TMOP/DPP. CONTACT THE DHA PHARMACY ANALYTICS SUPPORT SECTION AT 1.866.275.4732 OR DHA.JBSA.PHARMACY-OPS.MBX.PASS-DMT@MAIL.MIL FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO OBTAIN A PMART REPORT. INFORMATION REGARDING PMART AS WELL AS THE CENTCOM FORMULARY CAN BE FOUND AT THE HEALTH.MIL WEBSITE AT: WWW.HEALTH.MIL/PMART.
- 15.D.4. TRICARE MAIL ORDER PHARMACY (TMOP). PERSONNEL REQUIRING ONGOING PHARMACOTHERAPY WILL MAXIMIZE USE OF THE TMOP/DPP SYSTEM (TO INCLUDE MEDICATIONS LISTED IN 15.D.2.B AND 15.D.2.C) WHEN POSSIBLE. THOSE ELIGIBLE FOR TMOP WILL COMPLETE ON-LINE ENROLLMENT AND REGISTRATION PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT IF POSSIBLE. INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE FOUND AT https://www.express-scripts.com/tricare/tools/deployedrx.shtml

15.E. MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

15.E.1. PERMITTED EQUIPMENT. PERSONNEL WHO REQUIRE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (E.G., CORRECTIVE EYEWEAR, HEARING AIDS) MUST DEPLOY WITH ALL REQUIRED ITEMS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO INCLUDE TWO PAIRS OF EYEGLASSES, PROTECTIVE MASK EYEGLASS INSERTS, BALLISTIC EYEWEAR INSERTS, AND HEARING AID BATTERIES. SEE REF D 15.E.2. NON-PERMITTED EQUIPMENT. PERSONAL DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (NEBULIZERS, SCOOTERS, WHEELCHAIRS, CATHETERS, DIALYSIS MACHINES, INSULIN PUMPS, IMPLANTED DEFIBRILLATORS, SPINAL CORD STIMULATORS, CEREBRAL IMPLANTS, ETC.) IS NOT PERMITTED. MEDICAL MAINTENANCE, LOGISTICAL SUPPORT, AND INFECTION CONTROL PROTOCOLS FOR PERSONAL MEDICAL EQUIPMENT ARE NOT AVAILABLE AND ELECTRICITY IS OFTEN UNRELIABLE. A WAIVER FOR A MEDICAL CONDITION REQUIRING PERSONAL DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT IS APPLICABLE TO THE EQUIPMENT, AND VICE VERSA. DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT USED FOR RELIEF OR MAINTENANCE OF A MEDICAL CONDITION REQUIRES A WAIVER. WAIVER REQUESTS MUST DESCRIBE DEPLOYER'S ABILITY TO MEET MISSION REQUIREMENTS IN THE EVENT OF FAILURE OF THE EQUIPMENT. MAINTENANCE AND

RESUPPLY OF EQUIPMENT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

- 15.E.3. CONTACT LENSES. PERSONNEL WILL NOT DEPLOY WITH CONTACT LENSES EXCEPT IAW SERVICE POLICY. AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL DEPLOYING WITH CONTACT LENSES MUST RECEIVE PRE-DEPLOYMENT EDUCATION IN THE SAFE WEAR AND MAINTENANCE OF CONTACT LENSES IN THE DEPLOYED ENVIRONMENT AND DEPLOY WITH TWO PAIRS OF EYEGLASSES AND A SUPPLY OF CONTACT LENS MAINTENANCE ITEMS (E.G., CLEANSING SOLUTION) ADEQUATE FOR THE DURATION OF THE DEPLOYMENT.
- **15.E.4. MEDICAL WARNING TAGS.** DEPLOYING PERSONNEL REQUIRING MEDICAL WARNING TAGS (MEDICATION ALLERGIES, G6PD DEFICIENCY, DIABETES, SICKLE CELL DISEASE, ETC.) WILL DEPLOY WITH RED MEDICAL WARNING TAGS WORN IN CONJUNCTION WITH THEIR PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION TAGS.
- 15.E.4.A. MEDICAL PERSONNEL WILL IDENTIFY NEED FOR MEDICAL WARNING TAGS AND PREPARE DOCUMENTATION.
- 15.E.4.B. INSTALLATION OR ORGANIZATION COMMANDERS WILL DIRECT EMBOSSING ACTIVITIES TO PROVIDE TAGS IAW SERVICE PROCEDURES.

15.F. IMMUNIZATIONS.

- **15.F.1. ADMINISTRATION.** ALL IMMUNIZATIONS WILL BE ADMINISTERED IAW REF N. REFER TO THE DHA-IMMUNIZATION HEALTHCARE BRANCH WEBSITE https://www.health.mil/military-health-topics/health-readiness/immunization-healthcare/vaccine-recommendations-by-aor OR CONTACT THE CENTCOM DHA-IMMUNIZATION HEALTHCARE BRANCH ANALYST BRIAN.D.CANTERBURY.CIV@MAIL.MIL FOR QUESTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS.
- 15.F.2. REQUIREMENTS. ALL PERSONNEL (TO INCLUDE PCS AND SHIPBOARD PERSONNEL) TRAVELING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME TO THE THEATER WILL BE CURRENT WITH ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNIZATION PRACTICES (ACIP) IMMUNIZATION GUIDELINES AND SERVICE INDIVIDUAL MEDICAL READINESS (IMR) REQUIREMENTS IAW REF C. PERSONNEL WITH MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS DO NOT REQUIRE SEPARATE WAIVERS FOR ROUTINE ASSIGNEMENTS, BUT MAY NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR POSITIONS WHERE THE EXEMPTED VACCINE IS REQUIRED TO ADDRESS A SPECIFIC OCCUPATIONAL OR PUBLIC HEALTH THREAT. CURRENT DOD IMMUNIZATIONS REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CAN BE FOUND AT THE DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY WEBSITE, ON THE CENTCOM TAB, AT HTTPS://WWW.HEALTH.MIL/MILITARY-HEALTH-TOPICS/HEALTH-READINESS/IMMUNIZATION-HEALTHCARE/VACCINE-RECOMMENDATIONS/VACCINE-RECOMMENDATIONS-BY-AOR. IN ADDITION, ALL TDY PERSONNEL MUST COMPLY WITH FOREIGN CLEARANCE GUIDELINES FOR THE COUNTRIES TO OR THROUGH WHICH THEY ARE TRAVELING. MANDATORY VACCINES FOR DOD PERSONNEL (MILITARY, CIVILIAN & CONTRACTORS) TRAVELING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME IN THEATER ARE: 15.F.2.A. TETANUS/DIPHTHERIA. RECEIVE A ONE-TIME DOSE OF TDAP IF NO PREVIOUS DOSE(S) RECORDED. RECEIVE TETANUS (TD) IF ≥ 10 YEARS SINCE LAST TDAP OR TD BOOSTER.
- **15.F.2.B.** VARICELLA. REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION OF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: BORN BEFORE 1980 (HEALTH CARE WORKERS MAY NOT USE THIS EXEMPTION), DOCUMENTED PREVIOUS INFECTION (CONFIRMED BY EITHER EPIDEMIOLOGIC LINK OR LABORATORY RESULT), SUFFICIENT VARICELLA TITER, OR DOCUMENTED ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINE (2 DOSES).
- **15.F.2.C.** MEASLES / MUMPS / RUBELLA. REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION OF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: BORN BEFORE 1957, DOCUMENTATION OF EFFECTIVE IMMUNITY BY TITER FOR ALL THREE VACCINE COMPONENTS, OR DOCUMENTED ADMINISTRATION OF 2 LIFETIME DOSES OF MMR.

- **15.F.2.D.** POLIO. REQUIRED FOR TRAVEL TO/THROUGH **AFGHANISTAN OR PAKISTAN FOR ≥4 WEEKS**. VACCINE MUST BE ADMINISTERED WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF DEPARTING AFGHANISTAN OR PAKISTAN.
- 15.F.2.D.1 IMMUNIZATION SHOULD BE DOCUMENTED ON THE CDC-731 CERTIFICATE OF VACCINATION OR PROPHYLAXIS (YELLOW SHOT RECORD) IN ADDITION TO THE DD2766C TO MEET INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS.
- 15.F.2.D.2. MEDICAL ASSUMED (MA) AND MEDICAL IMMUNE (MI) EXEMPTIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FOR THIS REQUIREMENT.
- 15.F.2.D.3. IAW WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) OR ACIP DISEASE OUTBREAK GUIDANCE, MORE STRINGENT VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS MAY BE RECOMMENDED.
- 15.F.2.E. SEASONAL INFLUENZA (INCLUDING EVENT-SPECIFIC INFLUENZA, E.G., H1N1).
- **15.F.2.F.** HEPATITIS A. AT LEAST ONE DOSE PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT WITH SUBSEQUENT COMPLETION OF SERIES IN THEATER.
- **15.F.2.G.** HEPATITIS B. AT LEAST ONE DOSE PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT WITH SUBSEQUENT COMPLETION OF SERIES IN THEATER.
- **15.F.2.H.** TYPHOID. BOOSTER DOSE OF TYPHIM VI VACCINE IF GREATER THAN TWO YEARS SINCE LAST VACCINATION WITH INACTIVATED / INJECTABLE VACCINE OR GREATER THAN FIVE YEARS SINCE RECEIPT OF LIVE / ORAL VACCINE. ORAL VACCINE IS AN ACCEPTABLE OPTION ONLY IF TIME ALLOWS FOR RECEIPT AND COMPLETION OF ALL FOUR DOSES PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT.
- **15.F.3. ANTHRAX.** PERSONNEL WITHOUT A MEDICAL CONTRAINDICATION TRAVELING IN THE CENTCOM THEATER FOR 15 DAYS OR MORE WILL COMPLY WITH THE MOST CURRENT DOD ANTHRAX REQUIREMENTS, CURRENTLY A SERIES OF 5 VACCINES AND ANNUAL BOOSTER. SEE REF O, P, Q AND EXCEPTIONS FOR VACCINATION IN 15.F.6. NOTE THIS IS A DOD REQUIREMENT, AND CANNOT BE WAIVED BY CENTCOM.
- **15.F.3.A.** MILITARY PERSONNEL. REQUIRED.
- **15.F.3.B.** DOD CIVILIANS. REQUIRED AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE, FOR EMERGENCY-ESSENTIAL AND NON-COMBAT-ESSENTIAL, OR EQUIVALENT, PERSONNEL IAW REF O.
- **15.F.3.C.** DOD CONTRACTORS. REQUIRED AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE AS DIRECTED IN THE CONTRACT AND IAW REF J AND O.
- 15.F.3.D. VOLUNTEERS. VOLUNTARY AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.
- **15.F.4. SMALLPOX.** AS OF 16 MAY 2014, SMALLPOX VACCINATION IS NO LONGER REQUIRED FOR THE CENTCOM AOR. SEE REF O.
- **15.F.5. RABIES.** PRE-EXPOSURE VACCINATION WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED AS BELOW, OR OTHERWISE CONSIDERED FOR PERSONNEL WHO ARE NOT REASONABLY EXPECTED TO RECEIVE PROMPT MEDICAL EVALUATION AND RISK-BASED RABIES POST-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS WITHIN 72 HOURS OF EXPOSURE TO A POTENTIALLY RABID ANIMAL. FOR ALREADY-VACCINATED PERSONNEL, SERUM SAMPLES SHOULD BE TESTED EVERY TWO YEARS FOR VIRUS NEUTRALIZING ANTIBODIES, WITH BOOSTER DOSES REQUIRED WHEN TITERS FALL BELOW THE MINIMUM STANDARD LEVELS. EXCEPTIONS MAY BE IDENTIFIED BY UNIT SURGEONS.
- **15.F.5.A.** HIGH RISK PERSONNEL: PRE-EXPOSURE VACCINATION IS REQUIRED FOR VETERINARY PERSONNEL, MILITARY WORKING DOG HANDLERS, ANIMAL CONTROL PERSONNEL, CERTAIN SECURITY PERSONNEL, CIVIL ENGINEERS AT RISK OF EXPOSURE TO RABID ANIMALS, AND LABORATORY PERSONNEL WHO WORK WITH RABIES SUSPECT SAMPLES
- **15.F.5.B.** SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES (SOF)/SOF ENABLERS: ALL PERSONNEL DEPLOYING IN SUPPORT OF SOF WILL BE ADMINISTERED THE PRE-EXPOSURE RABIES VACCINE SERIES AS INDICATED BELOW.

- 15.F.5.B.1. AFGHANISTAN. PERSONNEL WITH PRIMARY DUTIES OUTSIDE OF FIXED BASES.
- 15.F.5.B.2. PAKISTAN. ALL PERSONNEL.
- **15.F.5.B.3.** OTHER AREAS. PER USSOCOM SERVICE-SPECIFIC POLICIES. CONTACT USSOCOM PREVENTIVE MEDICINE OFFICER AT DSN (312) 299-5051 FOR MORE INFORMATION.
- **15.F.6. CHOLERA.** ORAL CHOLERA VACCINE IS OF LIMITED OPERATIONAL USE AND NOT RECOMMENDED OR REQUIRED FOR MOST PERSONNEL. THOSE SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED BY THEIR UNIT OR MISSION REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE THE VACCINE SHOULD TAKE THE FOLLOWING INTO ACCOUNT WHEN PLANNING:
- **15.F.6.A.** ORAL CHOLERA VACCINE RECIPIENTS SHOULD NOT BE ON ORAL ANTIBIOTICS FOR FOURTEEN DAYS PRIOR TO, AND TEN DAYS AFTER, VACCINATION, TO INCLUDE MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS. RISK FROM MALARIA DUE TO THIS COURSE OF ACTION MUST BE CONSIDERED DURING PLANNING. SEE 15.L.1. AND REF R.
- 15.F.6.B. ALLOW FOR TEN DAYS FOR ORAL CHOLERA VACCINE TO BE EFFECTIVE.
- **15.F.6.C.** EFFICACY OF ORAL CHOLERA VACCINE IS UNKNOWN PAST 90 DAYS, AND REVACCINATION MAY NEED TO OCCUR WITH SAME PROVISIONS AS 15.F.6.A. TO ENSURE EFFECTIVENESS.
- **15.F.6.D.** FOLLOW STORAGE AND RECONSTITUTION REQUIREMENTS DESCRIBED IN LABELING INCLUDED WITH PRODUCT PACKAGING FOR ORAL CHOLERA VACCINE. .
- 15.F.7. MWD VACCINATIONS ARE COVERED IN SECTION 15.C.1.G.2.
- **15.F.8. EXCEPTIONS.** REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS WILL BE ADMINISTERED PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT, WITH THE FOLLOWING POSSIBLE EXCEPTIONS:
- **15.F.8.A.** THE FIRST VACCINE IN A REQUIRED SERIES MUST BE ADMINISTERED PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT WITH ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR SUBSEQUENT IMMUNIZATIONS TO BE GIVEN IN THEATER.
- **15.F.8.B.** IAW REF Q, ANTHRAX MAY BE ADMINISTERED UP TO 120 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT. IT IS HIGHLY ADVISABLE TO GET THE FIRST TWO ANTHRAX IMMUNIZATIONS OR SUBSEQUENT DOSE/BOOSTER PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT IN ORDER TO AVOID UNNECESSARY STRAIN ON THE DEPLOYED HEALTHCARE SYSTEM.
- **15.F.9.** ADVERSE MEDICAL EVENTS RELATED TO IMMUNIZATIONS SHOULD BE REPORTED THROUGH REPORTABLE MEDICAL EVENTS (RME) IF CASE DEFINITIONS ARE MET. ALL IMMUNIZATION RELATED UNEXPECTED ADVERSE EVENTS WILL BE REPORTED THROUGH THE VACCINE ADVERSE EVENTS REPORTING SYSTEM (VAERS) AT http://www.vaers.hhs.gov. QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE DHA-IMMUNIZATION HEALTHCARE BRANCH AT (1-877-438-8222).
- **15.F.10.** USCENTCOM AND COMPONENTS WILL MONITOR IMMUNIZATION COMPLIANCE VIA THE CCMDIMMUNIZATION REPORTING DATABASE. SUBORDINATE COMMANDS WILL REQUEST ACCESS TO THE CCMDIMMUNIZATION REPORTING DATABASE BY CONTACTING CCSG AT BRIAN.CANTERBURY2@CENTCOM.MIL OR CCSG-pmo@centcom.smil.mil.
- 15.G. MEDICAL / LABORATORY TESTING.
- **15.G.1. HIV TESTING.** HIV LAB TESTING, WITH DOCUMENTED NEGATIVE RESULT, WILL BE WITHIN 120 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT OR DEPARTURE FOR ANY REQUIRED DEPLOYMENT TRAINING IF TRAINING IS EN ROUTE TO DEPLOYMENT LOCATION. IAW REF I AND S, THE CENTCOM COMMAND SURGEON SHALL BE DIRECTLY CONSULTED IN ALL INSTANCES OF HIV SEROPOSITIVITY BEFORE MEDICAL CLEARANCE FOR DEPLOYMENT.
- **15.G.2. SERUM SAMPLE.** SAMPLE WILL BE TAKEN WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 365 DAYS. IF THE INDIVIDUAL'S HEALTH STATUS HAS RECENTLY CHANGED OR HAS HAD AN ALTERATION IN OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES THAT INCREASES HEALTH RISKS, A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER MAY

CHOOSE TO HAVE A SPECIMEN DRAWN CLOSER TO THE ACTUAL DATE OF DEPLOYMENT. SEE REF T.

- 15.G.3. G6PD TESTING. DOCUMENTATION OF ONE-TIME GLUCOSE-6-PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE (G6PD) DEFICIENCY TESTING IS IAW REF U. ENSURE RESULT IS IN MEDICAL RECORD OR DRAW PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. PRE-DEPLOYMENT MEDICAL SCREENERS WILL RECORD THE RESULT OF THIS TEST IN THE SERVICE MEMBER'S PERMANENT MEDICAL RECORD, DEPLOYMENT MEDICAL RECORD (DD FORM 2766) AND SERVICE SPECIFIC ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORD. IF AN INDIVIDUAL IS FOUND TO BE G6PD-DEFICIENT, THEY SHOULD BE ISSUED MEDICAL WARNING TAGS (SEE 15.E.4.) THAT STATE "G6PD DEFICIENT: NO PRIMAQUINE". IF PRIMAQUINE IS GOING TO BE ISSUED TO A DOD CIVILIAN OR DOD CONTRACTOR, COMPLETE THE TESTING AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.
- **15.G.4. HCG.** REQUIRED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF DEPLOYMENT FOR ALL WOMEN, AS WELL THOSE FEMALE TO MALE TRANSGENDERED INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE RETAINED FEMALE ANATOMY. ABOVE INDIVIDUALS WITH A DOCUMENTED HISTORY OF HYSTERECTOMY ARE EXEMPT.
- **15.G.5. DNA SAMPLE.** REQUIRED FOR ALL DOD PERSONNEL, INCLUDING CIVILIANS AND CONTRACTORS. OBTAIN SAMPLE OR CONFIRM SAMPLE IS ON FILE BY CONTACTING THE DOD DNA SPECIMEN REPOSITORY (COMM: 301.319.0366, DSN: 285; FAX 301.319.0369); HTTP://www.afmes.mil . See Ref D.
- 15.G.6. TUBERCULOSIS (TB) TESTING. SEE REF V.
- 15.G.6.A. TUBERCULOSIS TESTING FOR SERVICE MEMBERS WILL BE PERFORMED AND DOCUMENTED IAW SERVICE POLICY. CURRENT POLICY IS TO AVOID UNIVERSAL TESTING, AND INSTEAD USE TARGETED TESTING BASED UPON RISK ASSESSMENT, USUALLY PERFORMED WITH A SIMPLE QUESTIONNAIRE. TB TESTING FOR DOD CIVILIANS, CONTRACTORS, VOLUNTEERS, AND OTHER PERSONNEL SHOULD BE SIMILARLY TARGETED IAW CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC) GUIDELINES, WITH TESTING FOR TB TO BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN 90 DAYS OF DEPLOYMENT IF INDICATED. IF TESTING IS PERFORMED TUBERCULIN SKIN TEST (TST) OR AN INTERFERON-GAMMA RELEASE ASSAY MAY BE USED UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.
- **15.G.6.B.** POSITIVE TB TESTS WILL BE HANDLED IAW SERVICE POLICY AND CDC GUIDELINES. **15.G.6.C.** LATENT TUBERCULOSIS INFECTION (LTBI) MAY NOT BE DISQUALIFYING FOR DEPLOYMENT. SEE TAB A.
- **15.G.6.D.** UNIT-BASED / LARGE GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL LTBI TESTING SHOULD NOT BE PERFORMED IN THE AOR EXCEPT AMONG CLOSE CONTACTS OF CASES OF KNOWN TB DISEASE.
- **15.G.6.E.** U.S. FORCES AND DOD CIVILIANS WITH TB DISEASE WILL BE EVACUATED FROM THEATER FOR DEFINITIVE TREATMENT. EVALUATION AND TREATMENT OF TB AMONG U.S. CONTRACTORS, LOCAL NATIONALS (LN) AND THIRD COUNTRY NATIONAL (TCN) EMPLOYEES WILL BE AT CONTRACTOR EXPENSE. EMPLOYEES WITH SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED PULMONARY TB DISEASE WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM WORK AND OTHERWISE RESTRICTED AS DIRECTED BY THE THEATER PREVENTIVE MEDICINE CONSULTANT UNTIL CLEARED BY THE THEATER PREVENTIVE MEDICINE CONSULTANT FOR RETURN TO WORK.
- **15.G.7. OTHER LABORATORY TESTING.** OTHER TESTING MAY BE PERFORMED AT THE CLINICIAN'S DISCRETION COMMENSURATE WITH RULING OUT OR MONITORING NON-DEPLOYABLE CONDITIONS AND ENSURING PERSONNEL MEET STANDARDS OF FITNESS IAW PARAGRAPH 15.C.2.
- 15.H. HEALTH ASSESSMENTS.
- **15.H.1. HEALTH ASSESSMENTS AND EXAMS.** PERIODIC HEALTH ASSESSMENTS MUST BE CURRENT IAW SERVICE POLICY AT TIME OF DEPLOYMENT AND SPECIAL DUTY EXAMS MUST BE

CURRENT FOR THE DURATION OF TRAVEL OR DEPLOYMENT PERIOD. SEE REF D, J. FOR MWD, SEE SECTION 15.C.1.G.3.

15.H.2. PRE-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT (DD FORM 2795).

- **15.H.2.A.** ALL DOD PERSONNEL (MILITARY, CIVILIAN, CONTRACTOR) TRAVELING TO THE THEATER FOR MORE THAN 30 DAYS WILL COMPLETE OR CONFIRM AS CURRENT A PREDEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT WITHIN 120 DAYS OF THE EXPECTED DEPLOYMENT DATE. THIS ASSESSMENT WILL BE COMPLETED ON A DD FORM 2795 IAW REF C, W. THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO PCS PERSONNEL, SHIPBOARD PERSONNEL, OR PERSONNEL LOCATED WITH A DHP FUNDED FIXED MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITY (E.G. BAHRAIN) IAW REF C.
- 15.H.2.A.1. PERSONNEL TRAVELING TO THE THEATER FOR 15 TO 30 DAYS MAY CONSIDER COMPLETING A PRE-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT IN ORDER TO DOCUMENT THEIR HEALTH STATUS AND ADDRESS ANY HEALTH CONCERNS PRIOR TO TRAVEL TO THEATER. THIS IS ESPECIALLY RELEVANT TO THOSE WHOSE POSITION REQUIRES FREQUENT TRAVEL TO THE AOR. THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE AT LEAST ONE PRE-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT EACH YEAR, ALONG WITH A CORRESPONDING POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT FOR THE SAME YEAR.
- **15.H.2.B.** FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE DEPLOYER PORTION OF THE DD FORM 2795, THE DEPLOYER WILL HAVE A PERSON-TO-PERSON DIALOGUE WITH A TRAINED AND CERTIFIED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER (PHYSICIAN, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, NURSE PRACTITIONER, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, INDEPENDENT DUTY CORPSMAN, SPECIAL FORCES MEDICAL SERGEANT, INDEPENDENT DUTY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN, OR INDEPENDENT HEALTH SERVICES TECHNICIAN) TO COMPLETE THE ASSESSMENT.
- **15.H.2.C.** THE COMPLETED ORIGINAL DD FORM 2795 WILL BE PLACED IN THE DEPLOYER'S PERMANENT MEDICAL RECORD, A PAPER COPY IN THE DEPLOYMENT MEDICAL RECORD (DD FORM 2766), AND AN ELECTRONIC COPY TRANSMITTED TO THE DEFENSE MEDICAL SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM (DMSS) AT THE ARMED FORCES HEALTH SURVEILLANCE CENTER (AFHSC). CONTRACT PERSONNEL ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT THE DD FORM 2795; A PAPER VERSION WILL SUFFICE.

15.H.3. AUTOMATED NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT METRIC (ANAM).

ALL SERVICE MEMBERS AS DESIGNATED IN REF X WILL UNDERGO ANAM TESTING WITHIN 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT. ANAM TESTING WILL BE RECORDED IN APPROPRIATE SERVICE DATABASE AND ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORD. CONTRACTORS, PCS AND SHIPBOARD PERSONNEL ARE NOT REQUIRED TO UNDERGO ANAM TESTING.

15.H.4. POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT (DD FORM 2796).

- **15.H.4.A.** ALL PERSONNEL WHO WERE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A PRE-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT WILL COMPLETE A POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT ON A DD FORM 2796. THE POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT MUST BE COMPLETED NO EARLIER THAN 30 DAYS BEFORE EXPECTED REDEPLOYMENT DATE AND NO LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER REDEPLOYMENT.
- **15.H.4.A.1.** INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A PRE-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT, BUT WHO COMPLETED ONE TO COVER MULTIPLE TRIPS TO THEATER EACH OF 30 DAYS OR LESS DURATION, SHOULD COMPLETE A POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR TO DOCUMENT ANY POTENTIAL EXPOSURES OF CONCERN RESULTING FROM ANY SUCH TRAVEL AND THE POTENTIAL NEED FOR MEDICAL FOLLOW-UP.
- **15.H.4.A.2.** INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A PRE-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT MAY BE REQUIRED (BY THE COMBATANT COMMANDER, SERVICE COMPONENT COMMANDER, OR COMMANDER EXERCISING OPERATIONAL CONTROL) TO COMPLETE A POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT IF ANY HEALTH THREATS EVOLVED

- OR OCCUPATIONAL AND/OR CBRN EXPOSURES OCCURRED DURING THE DEPLOYMENT THAT WARRANT MEDICAL ASSESSMENT OR FOLLOW-UP. (SEE REF C).
- **15.H.4.B.** ALL REDEPLOYING PERSONNEL WILL UNDERGO A PERSON-TO-PERSON HEALTH ASSESSMENT WITH AN INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER. THE ORIGINAL COMPLETED COPY OF THE DD FORM 2796 MUST BE PLACED IN THE INDIVIDUAL'S MEDICAL RECORD AND TRANSMIT AN ELECTRONIC COPY TO THE DMSS AT THE AFHSC. CONTRACT PERSONNEL ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT THE DD FORM 2796; A PAPER VERSION WILL SUFFICE. **15.H.5. MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT.** ALL SERVICE MEMBERS WILL UNDERGO A PERSON-TO-PERSON MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT IAW REF Y OR CURRENT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE POLICY.
- **15.H.5.A.** ASSESSMENTS WITH BE COMPLETED BY A LICENSED MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL OR TRAINED AND CERTIFIED HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL, SPECIFICALLY A PHYSICIAN, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, NURSE PRACTITIONER, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, INDEPENDENT DUTY CORPSMAN, SPECIAL FORCES MEDICAL SERGEANT, INDEPENDENT DUTY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN, OR INDEPENDENT HEALTH SERVICES TECHNICIAN.
- **15.H.5.A.1.** ASSESSMENTS WILL BE ADMINISTERED WITHIN 120 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT, AND AFTER REDEPLOYMENT WITHIN 3 TIMEFRAMES (3-6, 7-18, AND 18-30 MONTHS). ASSESSMENTS SHOULD BE AT LEAST 90 DAYS APART.
- **15.H.5.A.2.** CURRENTLY ADMINISTERED PERIODIC AND OTHER PERSON-TO-PERSON HEALTH ASSESSMENTS, SUCH AS THE POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH REASSESSMENT, WILL MEET THE TIME REQUIREMENTS IF THEY CONTAIN ALL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL QUESTIONS IAW REF Y.
- **15.H.5.B.** MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT GUIDANCE DOES NOT DIRECTLY APPLY TO DOD CONTRACTORS UNLESS SPECIFIED IN THE CONTRACT OR THERE IS A CONCERN FOR A MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE. ALL RELATED MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS WILL BE AT THE CONTRACTOR'S EXPENSE.
- **15.H.6. POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH RE-ASSESSMENT (DD FORM 2900).** ALL PERSONNEL WHO WERE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A PRE- AND POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT WILL COMPLETE A POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH REASSESSMENT (DD FORM 2900) 90 TO 180 DAYS AFTER RETURN TO HOME STATION. SEE www.pdhealth.mil FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON PRE- AND POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENTS. CONTRACT PERSONNEL ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT THE DD FORM 2900; A PAPER VERSION WILL SUFFICE. **15.I. MEDICAL RECORD.** SEE REF C.
- **15.I.1. DEPLOYED MEDICAL RECORD.** THE DD FORM 2766, ADULT PREVENTIVE AND CHRONIC CARE FLOWSHEET, OR EQUIVALENT, WILL BE USED INSTEAD OF DEPLOYING AN INDIVIDUAL'S ENTIRE MEDICAL RECORD. THE DEPLOYED DD FORM 2766 SHOULD BE RE-INTEGRATED INTO THE MAIN MEDICAL RECORD AS PART OF THE REDEPLOYMENT PROCESS.
- 15.I.1.A. DEPLOYED PERSONNEL (MORE THAN 30 DAYS). DD2766 IS REQUIRED.
- **15.I.1.B.** TDY PERSONNEL (15 30 DAYS). DD FORM 2766 IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED, ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WHO TRAVEL FREQUENTLY TO THEATER, TO DOCUMENT THEATER-SPECIFIC VACCINES AND CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS, AS REQUIRED.
- 15.I.1.C. TDY PERSONNEL (LESS THAN 15 DAYS). DD2766 IS NOT REQUIRED.
- **15.I.1.D.** PCS PERSONNEL. FOLLOW SERVICE GUIDELINES FOR MEDICAL RECORD MANAGEMENT.
- **15.I.2. MEDICAL INFORMATION.** THE FOLLOWING HEALTH INFORMATION MUST BE PART OF AN ACCESSIBLE ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORD FOR ALL PERSONNEL (SERVICE MEMBERS, CIVILIANS AND CONTRACTORS), OR BE HAND-CARRIED AS PART OF A DEPLOYED MEDICAL RECORD:

- 15.I.2.A. ANNOTATION OF BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR, G6PD, HIV, AND DNA.
- **15.I.2.B.** CURRENT MEDICATIONS AND ALLERGIES. INCLUDE ANY FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION PRESCRIPTION PRODUCT (FHPPP) PRESCRIBED AND DISPENSED TO AN INDIVIDUAL.
- 15.I.2.C. SPECIAL DUTY QUALIFICATIONS.
- 15.I.2.D. ANNOTATION OF CORRECTIVE LENS PRESCRIPTION.
- 15.I.2.E. SUMMARY SHEET OF CURRENT AND PAST MEDICAL AND SURGICAL CONDITIONS.
- 15.I.2.F. MOST RECENT DD FORM 2795, PREDEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT.
- 15.I.2.G. DOCUMENTATION OF DENTAL STATUS CLASSES I OR CLASS II.
- **15.I.2.H.** IMMUNIZATION RECORD. MEDICAL DEPLOYMENT SITES WILL ENTER IMMUNIZATION DATA INTO SERVICE ELECTRONIC TRACKING SYSTEMS, (ARMY-MEDPROS, AIR FORCE-AFCITA, COAST GUARD-MRRS, NAVY-MRRS (ASHORE) OR SAMS (AFLOAT) AND MARINE CORPS-MRRS). **15.I.2.I.** ALL APPROVED MEDICAL WAIVERS.
- 15.J. PRE-DEPLOYMENT TRAINING. SEE REF Z.
- **15.J.1. SCOPE.** GENERAL ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED: INFORMATION REGARDING KNOWN AND SUSPECTED HEALTH RISKS AND EXPOSURES, HEALTH RISK COUNTERMEASURES AND THEIR PROPER EMPLOYMENT, PLANNED ENVIRONMENTAL AND OCCUPATIONAL SURVEILLANCE MONITORING, AND THE OVERALL OPERATIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.
- **15.J.2. CONTENT.** SHOULD INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING AREAS: COMBAT/OPERATIONAL STRESS CONTROL AND RESILIENCE; TACTICAL COMBAT CASUALTY CARE (TCCC), POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS AND SUICIDE PREVENTION; MILD TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY RISK, IDENTIFICATION AND TRACKING; NUCLEAR, BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL THREATS; ENDEMIC PLANT, ANIMAL, REPTILE AND INSECT HAZARDS AND INFECTIONS; COMMUNICABLE DISEASES; VECTORBORNE DISEASES; ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS; SAFETY; OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH.
- 15.K. MEDICAL CBRN DEFENSE MATERIEL (MCDM) / CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL RADIOLOGICAL NUCLEAR (CBRN) RESPONSE. See Tab D
- 15.L. THEATER FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION.
- 15.L.1. DISEASE RISK ASSESSMENT.
- **15.L.1.A.** MALARIA RISK ASSESSMENT AND GUIDELINES. IN THE ABSENCE OF A LOCAL RISK ASSESSMENT CONDUCTED IAW THE GUIDANCE PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH 15.L.1.B., THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES AND TIMEFRAMES REQUIRE CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS. THESE ARE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.
- 15.L.1.A.1. AFGHANISTAN: YEAR ROUND.
- 15.L.1.A.2. PAKISTAN: YEAR ROUND.
- 15.L.1.A.3. TAJIKISTAN: APRIL THROUGH OCTOBER.
- **15.L.1.A.4.** YEMEN: YEAR ROUND.
- **15.L.1.B.** LOCAL COMPONENT/JTF SURGEONS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONDUCT EVIDENCE-BASED ENTOMOLOGICAL AND EPIDEMIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENTS OF MALARIA RISK AT FIXED BASES WHERE SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL ARE ASSIGNED FOR PROLONGED PERIODS. IN CONDUCTING SUCH A RISK ASSESSMENT, SURGEONS SHOULD REVIEW THE MOST RECENT ASSESSMENTS AND RISK MAPS PRODUCED BY THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR MEDICAL INTELLIGENCE (NCMI) AT https://www.ncmi.detrick.army.mil/ (UNCLASSIFIED) OR https://www.ncmi.dia.smil.mil (CLASSIFIED).
- **15.L.1.B.1.** BASED ON NCMI RISK ASSESSMENTS AND IN CONSULTATION WITH THE THEATER PREVENTIVE MEDICINE CONSULTANT, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MODIFIED CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS POLICY MAY BE PROVIDED TO COMMANDERS USING REF AA OR SIMILAR RISK ANALYSIS.
- **15.L.1.B.2.** MANEUVER FORCES WITH INTERMITTENT AND UNPREDICTABLE EXPOSURES TO RISK AREAS SHOULD EMPLOY CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS BASED ON THE HIGHEST RISK AREAS.

UNITS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH VERY SHORT TERM EXPOSURE (I.E., AIRCREW NOT STATIONED IN THE AOR) SHOULD HAVE RISK AND CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS USE DETERMINED IAW SERVICE POLICY.

15.L.1.B.3 ASSESSMENT OF DISEASE THREATS AND NEAR REAL-TIME DISEASE OUTBREAK INFORMATION SHOULD BE OBTAINED PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT BY ACCESSING THE DHA'S ARMED FORCES HEALTH SURVEILLANCE CENTER'S HEALTH SURVEILLANCE EXPLORER (HSE) DYNAMIC MAP APPLICATION. THE HSE IS FOUO AND IS LOCATED ON A CAC-ENABLED SITE AS FOLLOWS: NIPR: HTTPS://WWW.HEALTH.MIL/HSE OR

HTTPS://PORTAL.GEO.NGA.MIL/PORTAL/HOME/" SIPR:

HTTPS://PORTAL.GEO.NGA.SMIL.MIL/PORTAL/HOME OR

HTTPS://PORTAL/GEO.NGA.SMIL.MIL/PORTAL/APPS/WEBAPPVIEWER/INDEX.HTML?ID=53258 902FF2E4D9587C7FF379B22A39B**15.L.2. MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS UTILIZATION.**

- **15.L.2.A.** ALL THERAPEUTIC/CHEMOPROPHYLACTIC MEDICATIONS, INCLUDING ANTIMALARIALS AND MCDM WILL BE PRESCRIBED IAW FDA GUIDELINES, REF AA, BB, AND CC.
- 15.L.2.B. DOXYCYCLINE OR ATOVAQUONE/PROGUANIL ARE GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE AS A PRIMARY MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLACTIC AGENT. MEFLOQUINE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED THE DRUG OF LAST RESORT FOR PERSONNEL WITH CONTRAINDICATIONS TO DOXYCYCLINE ORATOVAQUONE/PROGUANIL, SHOULD BE USED WITH CAUTION IN PERSONS WITH A HISTORY OF TBI OR PTSD, AND IS CONTRAINDICATED IN PERSONNEL WITH SOME BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIAGNOSES. EACH MEFLOQUINE PRESCRIPTION WILL BE ISSUED WITH A WALLET CARD AND CURRENT FDA SAFETY INFORMATION INDICATING THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE NEUROLOGIC SIDE EFFECTS MAY PERSIST OR BECOME PERMANENT IAW REF DD. OTHER FDA-APPROVED AGENTS MAY BE USED TO MEET SPECIFIC SITUATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.
- 15.L.2.C. PERSONNEL SHOULD DEPLOY WITH EITHER THEIR ENTIRE PRIMARY PROPHYLAXIS COURSE IN HAND (EXCLUDING TERMINAL PRIMAQUINE) OR WITH ENOUGH MEDICATION TO COVER HALF OF THE DEPLOYMENT WITH PLANS TO RECEIVE THE REMAINDER OF THEIR MEDICATION IN THEATER BASED ON UNIT PREFERENCE. TERMINAL PROPHYLAXIS (PRIMAQUINE) SHOULD BE DISTRIBUTED UPON REDEPLOYMENT AND ONLY AFTER VERIFYING G6PD STATUS (SEE 15.G.3.). A COMPLETE COURSE OF PRIMARY PROPHYLAXIS BEGINS 2 DAYS PRIOR TO ENTERING THE RISK AREA FOR DOXYCYCLINE AND ATOVAQUONE/PROGUANIL (2 WEEKS FOR MEFLOQUINE) AND COMPLETES AFTER 4 WEEKS OF DOXYCYCLINE OR MEFLOQUINE AFTER LEAVING THE AT RISK AREA, OR (1 WEEK OF ATOVAQUONE/PROGUANIL). TERMINAL PROPHYLAXIS IS REQUIRED AND CONSISTS OF TAKING PRIMAQUINE FOR 2 WEEKS AFTER LEAVING THE RISK AREA. INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOTED TO BE G6PD-DEFICIENT, IAW PARAGRAPH 15.G.3., WILL NOT BE PRESCRIBED PRIMAQUINE.
- **15.L.2.D.** MISSING ONE DOSE OF MEDICATION OR NOT USING THE DOD INSECT REPELLENT SYSTEM WILL PLACE PERSONNEL AT INCREASED RISK FOR MALARIA.
- **15.L.2.E.** COMMANDERS AND SUPERVISORS AT ALL LEVELS WILL ENSURE THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS FOR WHOM THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE HAVE TERMINAL PROPHYLAXIS ISSUED TO THEM IMMEDIATELY UPON REDEPLOYMENT FROM THE AT RISK MALARIA AREA(S).
- 15.L.3. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES. A SIGNIFICANT RISK OF DISEASE CAUSED BY INSECTS AND TICKS EXISTS YEAR-ROUND IN THE AOR. THE THREAT OF DISEASE WILL BE MINIMIZED BY USING THE DOD INSECT REPELLANT SYSTEM AND BED NETS;
- ${\sf HTTPS://WWW.ACQ.OSD.MIL/EIE/AFPMB/.} \ \ {\sf SEE} \ \ {\sf REF} \ \ {\sf Q}, \ {\sf DD}$
- **15.L.3.A.** PERMETHRIN TREATMENT OF UNIFORMS. UNIFORMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ISSUE WHICH ARE FACTORY-TREATED WITH PERMETHRIN. THE UNIFORM LABEL INDICATES WHETHER IT IS FACTORY TREATED. UNIFORMS WHICH ARE NOT FACTORY TREATED SHOULD BE TREATED WITH THE INDIVIDUAL DYNAMIC ABSORPTION (IDA) KIT (NSN: 6840-01-345-0237) OR 2 GALLON SPRAYER PERMETHRIN TREATMENT. BOTH ARE EFFECTIVE FOR

- APPROXIMATELY 50 WASHINGS. A MATRIX OF WHICH UNIFORMS MAY BE EFFECTIVELY TREATED IS AVAILABLE ON THE AFPMB WEBSITE AT HTTP://WWW.AFPMB.ORG.
- **15.L.3.B.** APPLY DEET CREAM (NSN: 6840-01-284-3982) TO EXPOSED SKIN. ONE APPLICATION LASTS 6-12 HOURS; MORE FREQUENT APPLICATION IS REQUIRED IF HEAVY SWEATING AND/OR IMMERSION IN WATER. A SECOND OPTION IS 'SUNSECT CREAM' (20% DEET/SPF 15), NSN: 6840-01-288-2188.
- **15.L.3.C.** WEAR TREATED UNIFORM PROPERLY TO MINIMIZE EXPOSED SKIN (SLEEVES DOWN AND PANTS TUCKED INTO BOOTS).
- **15.L.3.D.** USE PERMETHRIN TREATED BEDNETS PROPERLY IN AT RISK AREAS TO MINIMIZE EXPOSURE DURING REST/SLEEP PERIODS. PERMETHRIN TREATED POP UP BEDNETS ARE AVAILABLE. SEE DOD PEST MANAGEMENT MATERIEL OTHER THAN PESTICIDES AT HTTPS://WWW.ACQ.OSD.MIL/EIE/AFPMB/PEST_EQUIPLISTS.HTML
- 15.L.4. HEALTH SURVEILLANCE. SEE REF C AND EE.
- **15.L.4.A.** JOINT MEDICAL WORKSTATION (JMEWS) THROUGH MEDICAL SITUATIONAL AWARENESS TOOL (MSAT) AT HTTPS://MSAT.FHP.SMIL.MIL/PORTAL
- **15.L.4.A.1.** DEPLOYED UNITS WILL USE JMEWS AS THE PRIMARY DATA ENTRY POINT FOR DISEASE AND INJURY (DI) REPORTING. UNITS WILL ENSURE ALL SUBORDINATE UNITS COMPLETE JOINING AND DEPARTING REPORTS AS REQUIRED WITHIN JMEWS. SHIPBOARD UNITS SHOULD UTILIZE SAMS OR TMIP-M FOR DI REPORTING AND FIXED MTF'S SHOULD UTILIZE AHLTA.
- **15.L.4.A.2.** UNITS WILL COORDINATE JMEWS TRAINING PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT FOR APPROPRIATE PERSONNEL TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE. CURRENTLY, THE ARMY USES MC4 TRAINERS TO TRAIN JMEWS, THE AIR FORCE USES THEATER MEDICAL INFORMATION PROGRAM (TMIP-AF). INFORMATION MANAGERS, OTHER SERVICES DO NOT HAVE DIRECTED TRAINERS AT THIS TIME.
- 15.L.4.B. DI SURVEILLANCE, SEE REF FF.
- **15.L.4.B.1.** THE LIST OF DI REPORTING CATEGORIES, THEIR DEFINITIONS, AND THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF THE STANDARD DI REPORT CAN BE FOUND IN ENCLOSURE C OF REF EE.
- **15.L.4.B.2.** COMPONENT AND JTF SURGEONS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING UNITS WITHIN THEIR AOR ARE COLLECTING THE PRESCRIBED DI DATA AND REPORTING THAT DATA THROUGH THE JMEWS OR OTHER STANDARDIZED REPORTING PROCESSES ON A WEEKLY BASIS.
- **15.L.4.B.3.** MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT ALL LEVELS WILL ANALYZE THE DI DATA FROM THEIR UNIT AND THE UNITS SUBORDINATE TO THEM AND MAKE CHANGES AND RECOMMENDATIONS AS REQUIRED TO REDUCE DI AND MITIGATE THE EFFECTS OF DI UPON OPERATIONAL READINESS.
- 15.L.4.C. OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE (OEHSA)
- **15.L.4.C.1.** AUTHORITY. AN OEHSA IS A JOINT APPROVED PRODUCT USED TO PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT OF BOTH OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH DEPLOYMENT LOCATIONS AND ACTIVITIES AND MISSIONS THAT OCCUR THERE ESTABLISHED BY REF D AND EE.
- **15.L.4.C.2** TIMEFRAME. AN OEHSA IS INITIATED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT AND COMPLETED WITHIN THREE MONTHS FOR ALL PERMANENT AND SEMI-PERMANENT BASE CAMPS. OEHSA ARE CONDUCTED TO VALIDATE ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL HEALTH THREATS, EVALUATE EXPOSURE PATHWAYS, AND DETERMINE COURSES OF ACTION AND COUNTERMEASURES TO CONTROL OR REDUCE THE HEALTH THREATS AND PROTECT THE HEALTH OF DEPLOYED PERSONNEL.
- **15.L.4.C.3.** CLASSIFICATION/PUBLICATION/ACCESS. OEHSA WILL BE SENT BY THE COMPLETING UNIT THROUGH THE DESIGNATED SERVICE COMPONENT OR JTF PM/FHP OFFICER FOR REVIEW AND SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE DEFENSE OCCUPATIONAL AND

- ENVIRONMENTAL READINESS SYSTEM (DOEHRS) AT https://doehrs-ih.csd.disa.mil/. SEE APPENDIX J TO REFERENCE DD FOR DOEHRS REQUIREMENTS. IF THE SUBMITTER DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS TO DOEHRS SUBMIT THE OEHSA TO THE MILITARY EXPOSURE SURVEILLANCE LIBRARY (MESL) https://mesl.apgea.army.mil/mesl/. IF THE MESL IS NOT AVAILABLE, EMAIL THE DOCUMENT TO OEHS.DATA@US.ARMY.MIL. CLASSIFIED EXPOSURE DATA SHOULD BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO MESL-S https://mesl.csd.disa.smil.mil. IF ACCESS TO THE MESL-S IS NOT AVAILABLE, EMAIL THE DOCUMENT TO https://phc.army.smil.mil.
- **15.L.4.C.4.** RESPONSIBILITIES. SERVICE COMPONENTS AND JTFS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROVING OEHSA COMPLETION AND WILL SUBMIT A MONTHLY REPORT IAW PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN REFERENCE FF.
- **15.L.4.D.** PERIODIC OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING SUMMARY (POEMS). **15.L.4.D.1.** AUTHORITY. POEMS IS A JOINT APPROVED PRODUCT USED TO ADDRESS ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURE DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY REF D AND FE.
- **15.L.4.D.2.** TIMEFRAME. POEMS WILL BE CREATED AND VALIDATED FOR EVERY MAJOR DEPLOYMENT SITE AS SOON AS SUFFICIENT DATA IS AVAILABLE. IN GENERAL, POEMS ARE A SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFLECTING A YEAR OR MORE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH DATA TO ENSURE ADEQUATE COLLECTION OF EXPOSURE INFORMATION.
- **15.L.4.D.3.** CLASSIFICATION/PUBLICATION/ACCESS. POEMS WILL BE UNCLASSIFIED BUT POSTED ON THE PASSWORD PROTECTED DEPLOYMENT OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE DATA PORTAL AT
- HTTPS://MESL.APGEA.ARMY.MIL/MESL/ WHERE JOINT OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE DATA AND REPORTS ARE STORED. THE POEMS TEMPLATE CAN BE FOUND AT HTTP://PHC.AMEDD.ARMY.MIL.
- **15.L.4.D.4.** RESPONSIBILITIES. SERVICE COMPONENTS AND JTFS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING POEMS ARE COMPLETED FOR SITES IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AOR. THEY SHOULD DEVELOP SITE PRIORITIZATION LISTS AND ENLIST THE SUPPORT OF SERVICE PUBLIC HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS (E.G., U.S. ARMY PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER (USAPHC)) TO DRAFT THE CONTENT OF A SITE POEMS. THE USAPHC OVERSEES THE DATA ARCHIVAL WEBSITE FOR PUBLICATION OF FINAL POEMS AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS; HOWEVER, APPROVAL OF "FINAL" POEMS MUST COME FROM THE SERVICE COMPONENT/JTF FHP OFFICER WITH INPUT FROM PREVENTIVE MEDICINE RESOURCES IN DIRECT OR GENERAL AREA SUPPORT.
- 15.L.5. REPORTABLE MEDICAL EVENT (RME) SURVEILLANCE. SEE REF M, FF.
- **15.L.5.A.** THE LIST OF DISEASES AND CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE REPORTED CAN BE FOUND IN THE TRI-SERVICE REPORTABLE EVENTS GUIDELINES AND CASE DEFINITIONS AT HTTP://www.afhsc.mil or ref gg.
- **15.L.5.B.** COMPONENT AND JTF SURGEONS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING UNITS WITHIN THEIR AO ARE COLLECTING THE APPROPRIATE RME DATA AND REPORTING THAT DATA THROUGH THEIR SERVICE SPECIFIC REPORTING MECHANISMS.
- **15.L.5.B.1.** IT IS ONLY REQUIRED TO COPY CCSG FOR THE FOLLOWING RMES AT CCSG-PMO@CENTCOM.SMIL.MIL OR CENTCOM.MACDILL.CENTCOM-HQ.MBX.CCSG-WAIVER@MAIL.MIL: ANTHRAX; BOTULISM; CBRN AND TOXIC INDUSTRIAL CHEMICAL/MATERIAL (TIC/TIM) EXPOSURE; SEVERE COLD WEATHER/HEAT INJURIES; DENGUE FEVER; HANTAVIRUS DISEASE; HEMORRHAGIC FEVER; HEPATITIS B OR C, ACUTE; HIV; MALARIA; MEASLES; MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE; MIDDLE EASTERN RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS (MERS-COV); NOROVIRUS; OUTBREAK OR DISEASE CLUSTER; PLAGUE; PNEUMONIA, EOSINOPHILIC; Q- FEVER; RABIES, HUMAN; SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS (SARI); STREPTOCOCCUS, INVASIVE GROUP A; TETANUS; TUBERCULOSIS, ACTIVE; TULAREMIA;

TYPHOID FEVER; VARICELLA

- **15.L.5.C.** RME REPORTING IS TO OCCUR AS SOON AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE AFTER THE EVENT HAS OCCURRED. EVENTS WITH BIOTERRORISM POTENTIAL OR RAPID OUTBREAK POTENTIAL ARE CONSIDERED URGENT RME AND IMMEDIATE REPORTING IS REQUIRED (WITHIN FOUR HOURS).
- 15.L.6. HEALTH RISK COMMUNICATION. SEE REF C.
- **15.L.6.A.** DURING ALL PHASES OF DEPLOYMENT, PROVIDE HEALTH INFORMATION TO EDUCATE, MAINTAIN FIT FORCES, AND CHANGE HEALTH RELATED BEHAVIORS FOR THE PREVENTION OF DISEASE AND INJURY DUE TO RISKY PRACTICES AND UNPROTECTED EXPOSURES.
- **15.L.6.B.** CONTINUAL HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENTS ARE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF THE HEALTH RISK COMMUNICATION PROCESS DURING THE DEPLOYMENT PHASE. MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT ALL LEVELS WILL PROVIDE WRITTEN AND ORAL RISK COMMUNICATION PRODUCTS TO COMMANDERS AND DEPLOYED PERSONNEL FOR MEDICAL THREATS, COUNTERMEASURES TO THOSE THREATS, AND THE NEED FOR ANY MEDICAL FOLLOW-UP.
- **15.L.6.C.** DI, RME, AND OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (OEH) RISK ASSESSMENTS WITH RECOMMENDED COUNTERMEASURES WILL BE PROVIDED TO COMMANDERS AND DEPLOYED PERSONNEL ON A REGULAR BASIS AS WELL AS A SITUATIONAL BASIS WHEN A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN ANY ASSESSMENT OCCURS.

15.L.7. HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT.

- **15.L.7.A.** JOINT TRAUMA SYSTEM (JTS) CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES (CPGS) MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE UNITED STATES ARMY INSTITUTE OF SURGICAL RESEARCH (USAISR) WEBSITE AT http://www.usaisr.amedd.army.mil/cpgs.html.
- **15.L.7.B.** DOCUMENTATION OF ALL MEDICAL AND DENTAL CARE RECEIVED WHILE DEPLOYED WILL BE IAW CENTCOM MEDICAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES. SEE REF C, HH.
- 15.L.7.C. IT IS A COMMANDER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT ALL PERSONNEL POTENTIALLY AFFECTED BY A BLAST OR OTHER POTENTIALLY CONCUSSIVE EVENT (PCE) ARE EVALUATED FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI) BY A MEDICAL PROVIDER AND DOCUMENTATION IS COMPLETED IAW REF II.

15.L.8. UNIT MASCOTS AND PETS.

- **15.L.8.A.** PER CENTCOM GENERAL ORDER 1.C., DEPLOYED PERSONNEL WILL AVOID CONTACT WITH LOCAL ANIMALS (E.G., LIVESTOCK, CATS, DOGS, BIRDS, REPTILES, ARACHNIDS, AND INSECTS) IN THE DEPLOYED SETTING AND WILL NOT FEED, ADOPT, OR INTERACT WITH THEM IN ANY WAY.
- **15.L.8.B.** ANY CONTACT WITH LOCAL ANIMALS, WHETHER INITIATED OR NOT, THAT RESULTS IN A BITE, SCRATCH OR POTENTIAL EXPOSURE TO THE ANIMAL'S BODILY FLUIDS (SALIVA, VENOM, ETC.) WILL BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO THE CHAIN OF COMMAND AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL FOR EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP.

15.L.9. FOOD AND WATER SOURCES.

- **15.L.9.A.** ALL WATER (INCLUDING ICE) IS CONSIDERED NON-POTABLE UNTIL TESTED AND APPROVED BY APPROPRIATE MEDICAL PERSONNEL (ARMY OR NAVY PREVENTIVE MEDICINE, AIR FORCE BIOENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING, INDEPENDENT DUTY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN/CORPSMAN). COMMERCIAL SOURCES OF DRINKING WATER MUST ALSO BE APPROVED BY THE U.S. ARMY PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER.
- **15.L.9.B.** NO FOOD SOURCES WILL BE UTILIZED UNLESS INSPECTED AND APPROVED BY U.S. ARMY PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER (I.E. VETERINARY PERSONNEL).
- **15.L.9.C.** COMMANDERS WILL ENSURE THE NECESSARY SECURITY TO PROTECT WATER AND FOOD SUPPLIES AGAINST TAMPERING BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS PROVIDED IN FOOD/WATER VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENTS. MEDICAL PERSONNEL WILL PROVIDE

CONTINUAL VERIFICATION OF QUALITY AND PERIODIC INSPECTION OF STORAGE AND PREPARATION FACILITIES.

15.L.10. ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURES OF CONCERN.

- **15.L.10.A.** COLD INJURY RISK WILL DEPEND ON THE SPECIFIC REGION. HYPOTHERMIA, A LIFE-THREATENING CONDITION, MOSTLY OCCURS UP TO 55 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT AIR TEMPERATURE. RISK OF COLD INJURY INCREASES FOR PERSONS WHO ARE IN POOR PHYSICAL CONDITION, DEHYDRATED, WET, OR AT INCREASED ALTITUDE. COUNTERMEASURES INCLUDE PROPER WEAR OF CLOTHING AND COVER. EXPOSED SKIN IS MORE LIKELY TO DEVELOP FROSTBITE. ENSURE CLOTHING IS CLEAN, LOOSE, LAYERED, AND DRY. COVER THE HEAD TO CONSERVE HEAT.
- **15.L.10.B.** HEAT STRESS/ SOLAR INJURIES/ILLNESS. HEAT INJURIES MAY BE THE GREATEST OVERALL THREAT TO MILITARY PERSONNEL DEPLOYED TO WARM CLIMATES. ACCLIMATIZATION TO INCREASED TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY MAY TAKE 10 TO 14 DAYS. HEAT INJURIES CAN INCLUDE DEHYDRATION, SUNBURN, HEAT SYNCOPE, HEAT EXHAUSTION AND HEAT STROKE. ENSURE PROPER WORK-REST CYCLES, ADEQUATE HYDRATION, AND COMMAND EMPHASIS ON HEAT INJURY PREVENTION. ENSURE AVAILABILITY AND USE OF INDIVIDUAL PROTECTION SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT SUCH AS SUNSCREEN, LIP BALM, SUN GOGGLES/GLASSES, AND POTABLE WATER.
- 15.L.10.C. ALTITUDE. OPERATIONS AT HIGH ALTITUDES (OVER 9888 FT) CAN CAUSE A SPECTRUM OF ILLNESSES, INCLUDING ACUTE MOUNTAIN SICKNESS; HIGH ALTITUDE PULMONARY EDEMA, HIGH ALTITUDE CEREBRAL EDEMA, OR RED BLOOD CELL SICKLING IN SERVICE MEMBERS WITH SICKLE CELL TRAIT. ASCEND GRADUALLY, IF POSSIBLE. TRY NOT TO GO DIRECTLY FROM LOW ALTITUDE TO >9,888 FT (3,013 M) IN ONE DAY. A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER MAY PRESCRIBE ACETAZOLAMIDE (DIAMOX) OR DEXAMETHASONE (DECADRON) TO SPEED ACCLIMATIZATION IF ABRUPT ASCENT IS UNAVOIDABLE. TREAT AN ALTITUDE HEADACHE WITH SIMPLE ANALGESICS; MORE SERIOUS COMPLICATIONS REQUIRE OXYGEN AND IMMEDIATE DESCENT.
- **15.L.10.D.** GOOD FIELD SANITATION PRACTICES ARE ESSENTIAL TO MAINTAIN FORCE HEALTH. THEY INCLUDE: FREQUENT HANDWASHING, PROPER DENTAL CARE, CLEAN AND DRY CLOTHING (ESPECIALLY SOCKS, UNDERWEAR, AND BOOTS), BATHING AND DENTAL CARE WITH WATER FROM A POTABLE SOURCE. CHANGE SOCKS FREQUENTLY, FOOT POWDER HELPS PREVENT FUNGAL INFECTIONS.
- **15.M.** ALL OTHER INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDANCE SPECIFIED IN INITIAL POLICY MESSAGE REMAIN IN EFFECT. MOD THIRTEEN IS NOW INVALID.
- **15.N.** THE USCENTCOM POC FOR PREVENTIVE MEDICINE/FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION IS CCSG, DSN 312-529-0345; COMM: 813-529-0345; SIPR: ccsg-pmo@centcom.smil.mil OR kevin.m.cron.mil@mail.smil.mil; NIPR: CENTCOM.MACDILL.CENTCOM-HQ.MBX.CCSG-WAIVER@MAIL.MIL//

MOD14-TAB A: AMPLIFICATION OF THE MINIMAL STANDARDS OF FITNESS FOR DEPLOYMENT TO THE CENTCOM AOR; TO ACCOMPANY MOD FOURTEEN TO USCENTCOM INDIVIDUAL PROTECTION AND INDIVIDUAL/UNIT DEPLOYMENT POLICY

- 1. General. This TAB A accompanies MOD FOURTEEN, Section 15.C. and provides amplification of the minimal standards of fitness for deployment to the CENTCOM area of responsibility (AOR). Individuals possessing a disqualifying medical condition must obtain an exception to policy in the form of a medical waiver prior to being medically cleared for deployment. The list of deployment-limiting conditions is not comprehensive; there are many other conditions that may result in denial of medical clearance for deployment based upon the totality of individual medical conditions and the medical capabilities present at that individual's deployed location. "Medical conditions" as used here also include those health conditions usually referred to as dental and behavioral health.
 - A. Uniformed Service Members must meet Service standards of fitness according to Service regulations and policies, in addition to the guidance in the parent MOD 14. See MOD FOURTEEN REF E, F, G, H, I, JJ.
 - **B.** DoD civilian personnel with disqualifying medical conditions could still possibly deploy based upon an individualized medical assessment and approved medical waiver from the appropriate CENTCOM waiver authority. All personnel must be able to perform the duties of their position.
 - C. DoD Contract personnel will be evaluated for fitness according to DoDI 3020.41 (REF J).
 - **D.** The final authority of who may deploy to the CENTCOM AOR rests with the CENTCOM Surgeon and/or the Service Component Surgeons' waiver authority, not the individual's medical evaluating entity, deploying platform, or Commander.
 - **E.** Regardless of underlying diagnosis, waivers for disqualifying medical conditions will be considered only if all the following general conditions are met:
 - 1. The condition is not of such a nature or duration that an unexpected worsening or physical trauma is likely to have a grave medical outcome or negative impact on mission execution.
 - 2. The condition is stable and reasonably anticipated not to worsen during the deployment in light of the physical, physiological, psychological, and nutritional effects of assigned duties and location.
 - 3. The condition does not require frequent clinical visits (more than quarterly), ancillary tests, or significant physical limitations, and does not constitute an increased risk of illness, injury, or infection.
 - **4.** There is no anticipated need for routine evacuation out of theater for continuing diagnostics or evaluations.
 - 5. Any required, ongoing health care or medications anticipated to be needed for the duration of the deployment are available to the applicant in theater within the Military Health System or equivalent. Medication must have no special handling, storage, or other requirements (e.g., refrigeration, cold chain, or electrical power requirements). Medication must be well tolerated within harsh environmental conditions (e.g. heat or

- cold stress, sunlight) and should not cause significant side effects in the setting of moderate dehydration.
- 6. Individuals must be able to perform all essential functions of their position in the deployed environment, with or without reasonable accommodation, without causing undue hardship. In evaluating undue hardship, the nature of the accommodation and workplace environment must be considered. Further, the member's medical condition must not pose a significant risk of substantial harm to the member or others taking into account the condition of the relevant deployed environment, with particular consideration of areas of armed conflict in the AOR. See REF I.
- **7.** The medical condition does not prevent the wear of personal protective equipment, including protective mask, ballistic helmet, body armor, and chemical/biological protective garments.
- The medical condition does not prohibit required theater immunizations or medications.
- **9.** The medical condition is not anticipated to significantly impair duty performance during the duration of the deployment.
- **10.** The diagnosis, management, and/or treatment of medical conditions does not place an unreasonable burden on deployed medical assets, operational assets, or complicate the evaluation of other reasonably-anticipated illnesses or injuries.
- 2. Evaluating providers must consider that in addition to the individual's assigned duties, severe environmental conditions, extremes of temperature, high physiologic demands (water, mineral, salt, and heat management), poor air quality (especially particulates), limited dietary options, sleep deprivation/disruption, and emotional stress may all impact the individual's health. If maintaining an individual's health requires avoidance of these extremes or conditions, they should not deploy.
- 3. Evaluation of functional capacity to determine fitness in conditions of physiologic demand is encouraged for conditions which may impair normal functionality. The evaluating provider should pay special attention to any conditions which may present a hazard to the individual or others and/or preclude performing functional requirements in the deployed setting. Also, the type, amount, suitability, and availability of medications in the theater environment must be considered as potential limitations. Predeployment processing centers may vary in medical examination/screening procedures; individuals should contact their respective mobilization site for availability of a processing checklist.
- **4.** The guidance in this document should not be construed as authorizing use of defense health program or military health system resources for health evaluations unless otherwise authorized. Generally, Defense Health Agency and Military Health System resources are not authorized for the purpose of predeployment or travel medicine evaluations for contractor employees IAW REF J. Local command, legal, contracting and resource management authorities should be consulted for questions on this matter.
- **5.** Shipboard operations which are not anticipated to involve operations ashore are exempt from the deployment-limiting medical conditions listed below and will generally follow Service specific guidance. However, sovereign laws of some nations within the CENTCOM AOR may prohibit entry of individuals with certain medical conditions. Contingency plans for emergency evacuation of individuals with diagnoses that could result in or complicate medical care in theater following evacuation should be coordinated with and approved by the CENTCOM Surgeon prior to entering the AOR.

- 6. Per general guidance from MOD FOURTEEN, section 15.C:
 - **A.** All personnel (uniformed service members, government civilian employees, volunteers, and DoD contractor employees) deploying to theater must meet medical, dental, and behavioral health fitness standards for deployment and possess a current Periodic Health Assessment (PHA) or physical. Fitness specifically includes the ability to accomplish tasks and duties unique to a particular operation and the ability to tolerate environmental and operational conditions of the deployed location.
 - **B.** The existence of a chronic medical condition may not necessarily require a waiver to deploy. Personnel with existing conditions, **other than those outlined in this document**, may deploy if either:
 - **1.** An approved medical waiver, IAW Section 15.C.3, is documented in the medical record.

OR

- 2. The conditions in Para. 1.D.1-1.D.10 are met. To determine stability and assess need for further care, for most conditions 60 days is considered a reasonable timeframe, subject to the examining provider's judgment. The exception to this is noted in paragraph 7.G. Behavioral health Conditions.
- 7. Documented medical conditions precluding medical clearance. A list of all possible diagnoses and their severity that may cause an individual to be non-deployable would be too expansive. The medical evaluator must carefully consider whether the climate, altitude, nature of available food and housing, availability of medical, behavioral health, dental, surgical, and laboratory services, or whether other environmental and operational factors may be hazardous to the deploying person's health. The following list of conditions should not be considered exhaustive. Other conditions may render an individual medically non-deployable (see paragraph 6). Medical clearance to deploy with any of the following documented medical conditions may be granted, except where otherwise noted, IAW MOD FOURTEEN, Section 15.C. If an individual is found deployed with a pre-existing non-deployable condition and without a waiver for that condition, a waiver request to remain deployed should be submitted to the respective Component Surgeon. If the waiver request is denied, the individual will be redeployed out of the CENTCOM AOR. Individuals with the following conditions and/or therapeutic interventions will not deploy without an approved waiver:

A. Specific Medical Conditions / Restrictions:

- 1. Asthma or other respiratory conditions that have a Forced Expiratory Volume- $1 \le 50\%$ of predicted, that have required hospitalization or emergency room visit in the past 12 months, or that require daily systemic (not inhaled) steroids. Mild intermittent asthma does not require waiver.
- **2.** Seizure disorder, either within the last year or currently on anticonvulsant medication for prior seizure disorder/activity. Persons on a stable anticonvulsant regimen, who have been seizure-free for one year, may be considered for waiver.
- **3.** Diabetes mellitus, type 1 or 2, on pharmacotherapy or with $HgA_1C > 7.0$.
 - a. Type 1 diabetes or insulin-requiring type 2 diabetes.
 - **b.** Type 2 diabetes, on oral agents only, with no change in medication within the last 60 days and $HgA1C \le 7.0$ does not require a waiver if a calculated 10-year coronary heart disease risk percentage (see paragraph 7.B.7) is less than 15%.

If the calculated 10-year risk is 15% or greater, further evaluation is required prior to waiver submission. See 7.B.7.

- **c.** Newly diagnosed diabetics will require demonstrated stability, either on oral medications or with lifestyle changes, before a waiver will be considered. Confirmation of complete initial diabetic evaluation (eye exam, foot exam, nutrition counseling, etc.) is required.
- **4.** History of heat stroke or rhabdomyolysis. Those without multiple episodes, persistent sequelae or organ damage, or episodes within the preceding 24 months may be considered for waiver. Waiver should include circumstances of the event(s), and functional assessment of current ability to perform rigorous duties in an environment similar to the deployed location.
- **5.** Meniere's disease or other vertiginous/motion sickness disorder, unless well controlled on medications available in theater.
- **6.** Recurrent syncope for any reason. Waiver request should include the etiology and diagnosis of the condition.
- **7.** History of stinging insect allergy causing generalized symptoms, IAW Ref JJ.
 - **a**. Local swelling, itching, or redness contiguous with the sting site and exhibiting no signs of anaphylaxis or systemic reaction do not require waiver. Generalized cutaneous-only reactions that occurred prior to the 16th birthday also do not require waiver.
 - **b.** Severe systemic and anaphylactic reactions, as well as cutaneous reactions defined as generalized rash or swelling in locations not contiguous with sting site occurring after the 16th birthday, should be referred to an allergist for testing.
 - **c.** Negative testing results indicate no further therapeutic action is required, however a waiver should still be submitted for review.
- **8.** Endocrine conditions requiring replacement or adjustment therapies must be stable, require no laboratory monitoring or specialty consultation, and require only routine follow-up, which must be available in the deployed location or by specific arrangement. Hormonal preparations must be within clinically appropriate dose and effect parameters, have no special storage requirements, and not produce side effects which interfere with the normal performance of duties or require additional medications to manage.
- **9.** Any musculoskeletal condition that significantly impairs performance of duties or activities of daily living in a deployed environment. If there are concerns, an official functional capacity exam (FCE) should be performed and results included with the waiver request.
- **10.** Migraine headache, when frequent or severe enough to disrupt normal performance of duties. Waiver submission should note history, frequency, severity, and functional impact of headaches, with or without treatment, success of abortive therapies, as well previous and current treatment regimens. Neurology evaluation and endorsement encouraged.
- **11.** Nephrolithiasis, requiring clinical evaluation or intervention in the preceding 12 months, or with most recent imaging showing multiple stones or a single stone >5mm in size, or a history of more than two episodes in a 12 month period in the last 3 years.
- **12.** Pregnancy.
- **13.** Obstructive sleep apnea (OSA). Should be diagnosed with polysomnography (PSG), with a minimum of 2 hours of total sleep time. Individuals previously diagnosed with OSA do not require updated or repeat PSG unless clinically indicated (i.e. significant change in body habitus, corrective surgery or return of OSA symptoms). The condition must not be severe enough to pose a safety risk should PAP therapy be unavailable for a

significant length of time. For moderate and severe OSA, a compliance report demonstrating at least 4 hours of use per night for greater than 70% of nights over a 30-day period must be documented. Individuals treated with an oral appliance require documentation that OSA is controlled with its use. Complex OSA, central sleep apnea, or OSA that requires advanced modes of ventilation such as adaptive servo-ventilation (ASV) or average volume assured pressure support (AVAPS) is generally non-deployable. Individuals using PAP therapy should deploy with a machine that has rechargeable battery back-up and sufficient supplies (air filters, tubing and interfaces/masks) for the duration of the deployment. Waivers are required as follows:

- **a.** Asymptomatic mild OSA (diagnostic AHI and RDI < 15/hr): Deployable with or without treatment (PAP or otherwise). **No waiver required.**
- b. Moderate to severe OSA (diagnostic AHI or RDI ≥15/hr), as well as symptomatic OSA (i.e. excessive daytime sleepiness) of any severity, require waiver as follows: Those individuals with confirmed compliance and reliable access to compatible power sources, as well as an absence of complex apnea, central apnea, need for advanced ventilation modes (as defined above), or additional disqualifying conditions do not require a waiver. If any of these factors are not adequately addressed, waiver is required.
- **14.** History of clinically diagnosed traumatic brain injury (mTBI/TBI) of any severity, including mild. Waiver may not be required, but pre-deployment evaluation, which may include both neurological and psychological components, is required per ref X.
 - **a.** Individuals who have a history of a single mild Traumatic Brain Injury may deploy once released by a medical provider after 24-hours symptom free.
 - **b.** Individuals who have sustained a second mTBI within a 12-month period, may deploy after seven days symptom free and release by a medical provider.
 - **c.** Individuals who have had three clinically diagnosed TBIs (of any severity, including mild) must have neurological and psychological evaluation completed prior to deployability determination.
- **15.** BMI > 40 with or without any significant comorbidity. Military personnel do not require waiver for BMI, but are subject to Service body fat guidelines and policy. Individuals must be able to wear appropriate work uniforms and PPE. Morbid obesity can generally not be supported. A BMI calculator is located at http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/guidelines/obesity/BMI/bmicalc.htm
- **16.** Asplenia, either actual or functional secondary to other medical condition. Waiver request should include verification of immunization against encapsulated bacterial pathogens (pneumococcus, meningococcus, Haemophilus influenza).
- **17.** Gout, with two or more flares in the preceding year.
- **18.** Multiple Sclerosis. Waiver requests should address stability of condition, current limitations. increased vulnerability to heat injury, and possible requirement for medication waiver.
- **19.** Any medical condition (except OSA-see 13 above) that requires durable medical equipment or appliances (e.g., nebulizers, catheters, spinal cord stimulators), or that requires periodic evaluation/treatment by medical specialists not readily available at any theater location.
- **20.** Conditions requiring service animals or comfort animals. Does not apply to Military Working Dogs/Contract Working Dogs (see MOD 14, section 15.C.1.G.). Animals deployed to support behavioral health operations must deploy from CONUS as part of an official program with full logistic support and uniformed handlers.

B. Cardiovascular Conditions:

- 1. Symptomatic coronary artery disease.
- 2. Myocardial infarction within one year of deployment.
- **3.** Coronary artery bypass graft, coronary artery angioplasty, carotid endarterectomy, other arterial stenting, or aneurysm repair within one year of deployment.
- **4.** Cardiac dysrhythmias or arrhythmias, either symptomatic or requiring medication, electro-physiologic control, or automatic implantable cardiac defibrillator or other implantable cardiac devices.
- 5. Heart failure or history of heart failure.
- **6.** Blood pressure and lipids should be considered and treated in the context of overall cardiac risk, for which a waiver may be required (see B. 7). Isolated hypertension or lipids do not require separate waiver except in the following circumstances:
 - a. Hypertensive urgency or emergency within previous 90 days.
 - **b.** 3 day average SBP > 140, DBP > 90.
 - **c.** Total Cholesterol >300, or Triglycerides >1000.
- 7. Civilian personnel who are 50 years of age or older must have a 10-year CHD risk percentage calculated (online calculator is available at http://tools.acc.org/ASCVD-Risk-Estimator/). If the individual's calculated 10-year CHD risk is 15% or greater, the individual should be referred for further cardiology work-up and evaluation, to include some form of functional assessment (i.e. graded exercise stress test with a myocardial perfusion scintigraphy (SPECT scan) or stress echocardiography as determined by the evaluating cardiologist). Results of the evaluation and testing, along with the evaluating cardiologist's recommendation regarding suitability for deployment, should be included in the waiver request.

C. Infectious Disease:

- 1. Confirmed Blood-borne diseases (Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, HIV) which may be transmitted to others in a deployed environment. Waiver requests for persons testing positive for a blood borne disease, including positive antigens and viral load positive members, should include a full test panel for the disease, including all antigens, antibodies, viral load, and appropriate tests for affected organ systems.
- 2. Confirmed HIV infection is disqualifying for deployment, IAW References I and S, Service specific policies, and agreements with host nations. Note that some nations within the CENTCOM AOR have legal prohibitions against entering their country(ies) with this diagnosis.
- **3.** Latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI). Individuals who are newly diagnosed with LTBI by either TST or IGRA testing will be evaluated per Service specific protocols and will have documented LTBI evaluation and counseling for consideration of treatment. Lack of treatment for LTBI is not a contraindication for deployment into the CENTCOM AOR and no waivers are required for a diagnosis of LTBI if appropriate Service specified evaluation and counseling, as noted above, is completed.
- **4.** History of active tuberculosis (TB). Must have documented completion of full treatment course prior to deployment. Those currently on treatment for TB disease may not deploy.
- **5.** A CENTCOM waiver cannot override host or transit nation infectious disease or immunization restrictions. Active duty must comply with status of forces agreements; civilian deployers should contact the nation's embassy for up-to-date information.

D. Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat, Dental Conditions:

- 1. Vision loss. Best corrected visual acuity which does not meet minimum occupational requirements to safely perform duties. Bilateral blindness or visual acuity that is unsafe for the combat environment per the examining provider.
- **2.** Refractive eye surgery. Personnel who have had laser refractive surgery must have a satisfactory period for post-surgical recovery before deployment. There is a large degree of patient variability which prevents establishing a set timeframe for full recovery. The attending ophthalmologist or optometrist will determine when recovery is complete.
 - **a.** Personnel are non-deployable while still using ophthalmic steroid drops post-procedure.
 - **b.** Personnel are non-deployable for three months following uncomplicated photorefractive keratectomy (PRK) or laser epithelial keratomileusis (LASEK), or one month for laser-assisted in situ keratomileusis (LASIK) unless a waiver is granted.
 - **c.** Waiver request should include clearance from treating ophthalmologist or optometrist.
- **3.** Hearing loss. Service members must meet all Service-specific requirements or have completed a medical board and found fit for duty do not require a waiver. Individuals with sufficient unaided hearing to perform duties safely, hear and wake up to emergency alarms unaided, and hear instructions in the absence of visual cues such as lip reading do not require waiver. If ability to perform duties is in question, Speech Recognition In Noise Test (SPRINT) or equivalent testing should be included to verify this ability.
- 4. Tracheostomy or aphonia.
- **5.** Patients without a dental exam within 12 months of deployment, or those who are likely to require evaluation or treatment during the period of deployment for oral conditions that are likely to result in a dental emergency. Individuals being evaluated by a non-DoD civilian dentist should use a DD Form 2813, or equivalent, as proof of dental examination.
- **6.** Orthodontics requiring follow-up or adjustment while deployed. Those with wires in neutral force and are cleared by the treating orthodontist do not require waiver.

E. Cancer:

- 1. Cancer for which the individual is receiving continuing treatment or which requires any subspecialist examination and/or laboratory/imaging testing during the anticipated duration of the deployment.
- **2.** Precancerous lesions that have not been treated and/or evaluated and that require treatment/evaluation during the anticipated duration of the deployment.
- **3.** Cancers which have not been in complete remission for at least a year, excluding non-melanoma skin cancers.

F. GASTROINTESTINAL SYSTEM:

- **1.** Inflammatory bowel disease, including, but not limited to: Crohn's disease; ulcerative colitis; ulcerative proctitis; regional enteritis; granulomatous enteritis.
- 2. Chronic hepatitis with impairment of liver function.

3. The presence of any ostomy (gastrointestinal or urinary).

G. Surgery:

- **1.** Any medical condition that requires surgery or for which surgery has been performed, to include cosmetic, bariatric, and reconstructive procedures, and the patient requires ongoing treatment, rehabilitation or additional surgery/revision.
- **2.** Individuals who have had surgery requiring follow up during the deployment period or who have not been cleared/released by their surgeon (excludes minor procedures).
- **3.** Individuals who have had surgery (open or laparoscopic) within 6 weeks of deployment.
- **4.** Special dietary and hygienic requirements resulting from surgery cannot be reliably accommodated and may be independently disqualifying.
- H. Behavioral Health Conditions: Diagnostic criteria and treatment plans should adhere to Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition (DSM-5) and current professional standards of care. Waiver submission should include information on applicant condition, including history and baseline symptoms of known disorders, severity of symptoms with and without treatment, and likelihood to recur or deteriorate in theater if exposed to operational activity. See reference KK. Waiver required for all conditions listed below (list is not inclusive).
 - 1. Psychotic and bipolar-spectrum disorders are strictly disqualifying.
 - **2.** Any DSM 5-diagnosed behavioral health disorder, to include personality disorders, with residual symptoms, or medication side effects, which impair social and/or occupational performance.
 - **3.** Any behavioral health condition that poses a substantial risk for deterioration and/or recurrence of impairing symptoms in the deployed environment.
 - **4.** Any behavioral health condition that requires periodic (beyond quarterly) counselling or therapy.
 - **5.** Chronic insomnia that requires regular or long-term use of sedative hypnotics / amnestics, benzodiazepines, and/or antipsychotics. PRN, or as needed, use of medication for this diagnosis must clarify frequency of actual use.
 - **6.** Anxiety disorders requiring use of benzodiazepines for management, or featuring symptoms of panic or phobia.
 - **7.** Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, when causing impairment or not completely treated, or when therapy includes use of benzodiazepines without additional anxiety diagnosis. Waiver submission should note if condition is combat-related, and, if so, comment on impact that return to the operational environment could have on applicant well-being and performance.
 - **8.** Gender dysphoria, when distressing enough to require treatment. Transgender without history of, or current requirement for, transition, and not associated with significant gender dysphoria is not disqualifying and does not require waiver. Underlying behavioral health, endocrine, and/or surgical issues (as applicable) should be stable and resolved, and all Service requirements must be met, to include the involvement of, and clearance by, Service Central Coordination Cell if transition is required. See Ref LL. Transitioning personnel's treatment course should be complete, preferably with DEERS

marker change, and an adequate Real Life Experience (RLE) period should have occurred to ensure stability. Due to complex needs, those requiring or actively undergoing gender transition are generally disqualified until the process, including all necessary follow-up and stabilization, is completed.

- 9. Bulimia and anorexia nervosa.
- **10.** Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD)/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). Evaluation and diagnosis should be appropriate per DSM 5 criteria, particularly if Class II stimulants are used for treatment. Specific clinical features or objective testing results should be included in waiver application for stimulant use. Dosages for medications should likewise be appropriate per DoHHS-CMS standards (ref MM), and justified by clinical presentation. Uncomplicated ADD/ADHD stable (treated with 0-1 non-controlled substance medication) for greater than 3 months without social or occupational impact do not require a waiver. Substantiated cases not meeting those criteria but with appropriate dosing may be adjudicated at the Service Component level, provided additional BH conditions or diagnoses requiring waiver are not present.
- 11. Behavioral health related hospitalization or self-mutilation within the last 12 months.
- 12. Suicidal Ideation or Suicide Attempt with the last 12 months.
- **13.** Substance use causing social or occupational disruption or impairment, including referral to or enrollment in a substance abuse program (inpatient, service specific substance abuse program or outpatient) within the last 12 months, measured from time of discharge / completion of the program, or time of incident/referral if program enrollment not indicated by evaluation.
 - **a.** A post-treatment period of demonstrated stability is required, the length of which will depend on individual patient factors.
 - **b**. Substance use disorders (SUD), not in remission and/or actively enrolled in Service Specific substance abuse programs are not eligible for waiver.
 - c. SUD requiring regular use of reversal agents or antagonists (Naloxone, Suboxone, Methadone) cannot be supported. Single-dose issuances of Naloxone are not intrinsically disqualifying, but require clarification of underlying SUD issues.
 - **d**. Alcohol use disorder requiring pharmacotherapy for maintenance (Disulfiram, Naltrexone, Acamprosate) cannot be supported.
 - **e**. Alcohol use disorders requiring random testing or other monitoring are disqualifying.
- **14.** Use of antipsychotics or anticonvulsants for stabilization of DSM IV or DSM-5 diagnoses.
- **15.** Use of 3 or more psychotropics (e.g. antidepressants, anticonvulsants, antipsychotics, benzodiazepines) for stabilization or any psychotropics which require a psychiatrist or other specialist to manage.
- **16.** Behavioral health disorders without demonstrated clinical stability of least 3 months, as defined by (1) no significant recent deterioration in clinical condition, (2) no significant impairment in work or interpersonal functioning, (3) no significant risk of sudden incapacitation should condition relapse or recur, (4) no morbid, suicidal, or homicidal ideation, intent or plan, and (5) likely to impact immediate family. Recent changes in treatment regimen, including discontinuation, should be explained and support clinical stability as above.
- **17.** Behavioral health disorders newly diagnosed during deployment do not immediately require a waiver or redeployment. Disorders deemed treatable, stable, and having no

impairment of performance or safety by a credentialed mental health provider do not require a waiver to remain in theater.

- **a.** Exceptions include diagnoses featuring bipolar, psychotic, or suicidal features. These individuals should be redeployed at soonest opportunity via medical evacuation with appropriate escorts and per TRANSCOM guidelines.
- **b.** Diagnoses requiring the prescription of CSA-scheduled controlled substances will require an approved waiver to obtain routine refills of medication.
- I. Medications Recently discontinued medications are considered to have had valid clinical indications, and should include verification of control of underlying conditions and reason for cessation. Medications included as "PRN", or as needed, must include a description of typical use. Although not exhaustive, use of any of the following medications (specific medication or class of medication) is disqualifying for deployment, unless a waiver is granted:
 - **1.** Any medication which, if lost, misplaced, stolen, or destroyed, would result in significant worsening or grave outcome for the affected individual before the medication could be reasonably replaced.
 - **2.** Any medication requiring periodic laboratory monitoring, titrated dosing, or special handling/storage requirements, or which has documented side effects, when used alone or in combination with other required therapy, which are significantly impairing, or which impose an undue risk to the individual or operational objectives.
 - 3. Blood modifiers:
 - **a.** Therapeutic Anticoagulants: warfarin (Coumadin), rivaroxaban (Xarelto), apixaban (Eliquis).
 - **b.** Platelet Aggregation Inhibitors or Reducing Agents: clopidogrel (Plavix), anagrelide (Agrylin), Dabigatran (Pradaxa), Aggrenox, Ticlid (Ticlopidine), Prasugrel (Effient), Pentoxifylline (Trental), Cilostazol (Pletal), Ticagrelor (Brilinta). Note: Aspirin use in theater is to be limited to individuals who have been advised to continue use by their healthcare provider for medical reasons; such use must be documented in the medical record.
 - **c.** Hematopoietics: filgrastim (Neupogen), sargramostim (Leukine), erythropoietin (Epogen, Procrit).
 - d. Antihemophilics: Factor VIII, Factor IX, Factor Xa.
 - **4.** Antineoplastics (oncologic or non-oncologic use): e.g., antimetabolites (methotrexate, hydroxyurea, mercaptopurine, etc.), alkylators (cyclophosphamide, melphalan, chlorambucil, etc.), antiestrogens (tamoxifen, etc.), aromatase inhibitors (anastrozole, examestane, etc.), medroxyprogesterone (except use for contraception), interferons, etoposide, bicalutamide, bexarotene, oral tretinoin (Vesanoid).
 - **5.** Immunosuppressants: e.g., chronic systemic steroids.
 - **6.** Biologic Response Modifiers (immunomodulators): e.g., abatacept (Orencia), adalimumab (Humira), anakinra (Kineret), etanercept (Enbrel), infliximab (Remicade), leflunomide (Arava), azathioprine (Imuran), etc.
 - **7.** Antiretrovirals used for Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP): e.g. tenofovir disoproxil fumarate/emtricitabine (Truvada)
 - 8. Any CSA Schedule I-V controlled substance, including but not limited to the following:
 - **a.** Benzodiazepines: lorazepam (Ativan), alprazolam (Xanax), diazepam (Valium), flurazepam (Dalmane), clonazepam (Klonopin), etc.

- **b.** Stimulants: methylphenidate (Ritalin, Concerta), amphetamine/dextroamphetamine (Adderall), dextroamphetamine (Dexedrine), dexmethylphenidate (Focalin XR), lisdexamfetamine (Vyvanse), modafinil (Provigil), armodafinil (Nuvigil), etc.
- **c.** Sedative Hypnotics/Amnestics: zolpidem (Ambien, Ambien CR), eszopiclone (Lunesta), zaleplon (Sonata), estazolam (Prosom), triazolam (Halcion), temazepam (Restoril), etc. Note: single pill-count issuances for operational transition do not require a waiver.
- **d.** Narcotics/narcotic combinations: oxycodone (Oxycontin, Percocet, Roxicet), hydrocodone (Lortab, Norco, Vicodin), hydromorphone (Dilaudid), meperidine (Demerol), tramadol (Ultram), etc.
- **e.** Cannabinoids: marijuana, tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), dronabinol (Marinol), cannabinol (CBD oil), etc. Note that possession or use may be a criminal offense in the CENTCOM AOR.
- f. Anorexiants: phendimetrazine (Adipost), phentermine (Zantryl, Adipex-P), etc.
- **g.** Androgens and Anabolic Steroids: testosterone (Axiron, AndroGel, Fortesta, Testim), oxymetholone (Anadrol-50), methyltestosterone (Methitest), etc. Preparations used in accordance with standards outlined in 7.A.8 above do not require separate waiver.
- **9.** Antipsychotics, including atypical antipsychotics: haloperidol (Haldol), fluphenazine (Prolixin), quetiapine (Seroquel), aripiprazole (Abilify), lurasidone (Latuda), ziprasidone (Geodon), olanzapine (Zyprexa), etc.
- 10. Antimanic (bipolar) agents: e.g., lithium.
- 11. Anticonvulsants, used for seizure control or behavioral health diagnoses.
 - **a.** Anticonvulsants (except those listed below) which are used for *non-behavioral health* diagnoses, such as migraine, chronic pain, neuropathic pain, and post-herpetic neuralgia, are not intrinsically deployment-limiting as long as treated conditions meet the criteria set forth in this document and accompanying MOD FOURTEEN. No waiver required. Exceptions include:
 - **b.** Valproic acid (Depakote, Depakote ER, Depacon, divalproex, etc.).
 - c. Carbamazepine (Tegretol, Tegretol XR, etc.).
 - d. Lamotrigine (Lamictal)
- **12.** Dopamine agonists: Ropinirole (Requip), pramipexole (Mirapex), etc.
- **13.** Botulinum toxin (Botox): Current or recent use to control severe pain.
- **14.** Insulin and exenatide (Byetta).
- **15.** Injectable medications of any type, excluding epinephrine (Epipen), medroxyprogesterone acetate (Depo-Provera), and testosterone cypionate (for Low T/hypogonadism), though underlying allergy may require separate waiver.

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