

Beneficiary Cost-Share: Beneficiary cost-share (other than dependents of active duty members) for care paid on the basis of a regional per diem rate is the lower of \$154 per day or 25 percent of the hospital billed charges effective for services rendered on or after October 1, 2001

Cap Amount: Updated cap amount for hospitals and units with high TRICARE volume is \$725 per day for FY 2002.

The following reflect an update of 3.3 percent for FY 2002.

PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION RATES FOR FULL-DAY AND HALF-DAY PROGRAMS FY 2002

United States census region	Full-day rate (6 hours or more)	Half-day rate (3-5 hours)
Northeast:		
New England (ME, NH, VT, MA, RI, CT)	\$232	\$175
Mid-Atlantic (NY, NJ, PA)	250	188
Midwest:		
East North Central (OH, IN, IL, MI, WI)	220	165
West North Central (MN, IA, MO, ND, SD, NE, KS)	220	165
South:		
South Atlantic (DE, MD, DC, VA, WV, NC, SC, GA, FL)	239	179
East South Central (KY, TN, AL, MS)	257	193
West South Central (AR, LA, TX, OK)	257	193
West:		
Mountain (MT, ID, WY, CO, NM, AZ, UT, NV)	260	195
Pacific (WA, OR, CA, AK, HI)	254	191

The above rates are effective for services rendered on or after October 1, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Board of Visitors Meeting

AGENCY: Acquisition University, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Board of Visitors Meeting.

SUMMARY: The next meeting of the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Board of Visitors (BoV) will be held in the Executive Conference Room, Building 202, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia on Wednesday October 31, 2001 from 0900 until 1500. The purpose of this meeting is to report back to the BoV on continuing items of interest. This meeting is in lieu of the meeting originally scheduled for Wednesday September 19, 2001, which DAU postponed in light of events that took place September 11, 2001.

The meeting is open to the public; however, because of space limitations, allocation of seating will be made on a first-come, first served basis. Persons desiring to attend the meeting should call Mr. John Michel at 703-805-4575.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Army Transformation

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Availability (NOA).

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army announces the availability of the Draft PEIS for Army Transformation.

The PEIS details the environmental concerns which may affect various aspects of Army Transformation including, but not limited to: unit location; materiel acquisition and testing; training areas; range requirements; and strategic deployment.

DATES: The comment period for the Draft PEIS will end 45 days after publication of the NOA in the **Federal Register** by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

ADDRESSES: To obtain a copy of the PEIS write to Headquarters, Department of the Army, Attn: DAMO-FMF (Mr. Jim Lucas), 400 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310-0400.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jim Lucas, Headquarters, Department of the Army, ATTN: ODCSOPS (DAMO-

FMF), 400 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310-0400 or at (703) 602-9794.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The prospect of a rapidly changing and more turbulent, unpredictable, global security environment underscores the need for a high level of U.S. defense preparedness. To meet the challenges of a wider range of threats and a more complex set of operating environments, the U.S. will require an Army capable of rapid response and dominance across the entire spectrum of operations in joint, interagency, and multinational configurations. Today's Army force structure and supporting systems were designed for a different era and enemy. They lack the capability to operate optimally across the full range of likely future operations. The Army's superb heavy forces are unequalled in their ability to gain and hold terrain in the most intense, direct fire combat imaginable; and, once deployed, are the decisive element in major theater wars. The current heavy forces, however, are challenged to get to contingencies where we have not laid the deployment groundwork; and once deployed, these forces have a large logistical footprint. On the other hand, the Army's current light forces can strike quickly but lack survivability; lethality and tactical mobility once inserted. Therefore, to meet the defense challenges of the future and provide the National Command Authority the decisive land power forces necessary to support the National Security Strategy and National Military Strategy, the Secretary of the Army and the Chief of Staff of the Army have articulated a clear Army Vision