

provider communications, claims processing, appeals, provider enrollment, medical review and provider audit and reimbursement. The survey will be conducted yearly and annual reports of the results will be available via an online reporting system for use by TMA (HPA&E). The survey will be based on the Medicare Contractor Provider Satisfaction Survey (MCPSS) core instrument that may include additional DoD specific questions. The MCPSS provides a standardized instrument for measuring providers' perspectives on satisfaction with their Medicare Contractors as well as providing the capability to make statistically valid comparisons of results to national and system-wide statistical findings.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[No. DOD-2007-OS-0003]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces a proposed extension of a previously approved public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 27, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1160.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), ODUSD (PI)/Defense Human Resources Activity, ATTN: Ms. Heidi Boyd, 4040 Fairfax Boulevard, Suite 200, Arlington, VA 22201, or call (703) 696-1074.

Title and OMB Control Number: Application for Department of Defense Common Access Card—DEERS Enrollment, DD Form 1172-2, OMB Number 0704-0415.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement is needed to obtain the necessary data to establish a record in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) for individuals not pre-enrolled in the DEERS, and to maintain a centralized database of individuals eligible for a DoD identification card. This information is used to establish eligibility for the DoD Common Access Card (CAC) for individuals that are either employed by or associated with the Department of Defense. The information also provides a source of data for demographic reports.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 300,000.

Number of Respondents: 500,000.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

Summary of Information Collected: The DD Form 1172-2, Application for Department of Defense Common Access Card—DEERS Enrollment, the form associated with this information collection, is used to collect relevant

data (e.g., name, identifying information, employment status, citizenship) from the respondent. The data collected establish eligibility for the appropriate DoD Common Access Card for those individuals not pre-enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS).

The Homeland Security Presidential Directive—12 (HSPD-12), dated August 27, 2004, directed the promulgation of a Federal standard for secure and reliable forms of identification for Federal Employees and contractors that will be interoperable among the Federal departments and agencies. The Department of Defense is in the process of adjusting the Common Access Card (CAC) program so that it meets the requirements of HSPD-12.

HSPD-12 mandates smart card technology and supports the use of Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) to make access control decisions for both logical access to computer systems and physical access to federal facilities. PKI is a key and certificate management infrastructure designed to support confidentiality, integrity, availability, authorization, and access control for both computer networks and physical access. Public Law 106-65, Section 373, codified at 10 United States Code annotated, "other provisions," directs the Department to develop and implement a Smart Card program. The Deputy Secretary of Defense memorandum, dated November 10, 1999, "Smart Card Adoption and Implementation," directs the implementation of smart card technology as a Department-wide Common Access Card (CAC) that shall be: The standard ID card for active duty military personnel (to include the Selected Reserve); DoD civilian employees, eligible contractor personnel and other eligible personnel; the principal card used to enable physical access to buildings and controlled spaces; and will be used to gain access to the Department's computer networks and systems. The Deputy Secretary directs the CAC shall be issued and maintained using the infrastructure provided by the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System and the Real-time Automated Personnel Identification System (RAPIDS).

Individuals included in this information collection are eligible contractor employees, eligible, foreign national personnel and other eligible individuals outside of the DoD. Personnel included in this information collection are considered to be eligible for a CAC if they require logical access to DoD computer systems, are eligible for DoD benefits and entitlements,

require physical access to multiple DoD facilities or require access to multiple Federal agencies in compliance with the Homeland Security Presidential Directive—12 (HSPD—12).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[No. DoD—2007—HA—0004]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs announces a new information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 27, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and or RIN number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301—1160.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number or Regulatory Information Number (RIN) for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available

for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (OASD), ATTN: Col Grant Kotovsky, 5111 Leesburg Pike, Suite 810A, Falls Church, VA 22041—3206, or call (703) 681—0039.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Defense Medical Human Resources System internet (DMHRSi); OMB Control Number 0720—TBD.

Needs and Uses: DMHRSi is a Joint Medical Information system software application that provides the Military Health System (MHS) with a comprehensive enterprise human resource system with capabilities to manage personnel, manpower, education & training, labor cost assignment and readiness functional areas. It has built-in safeguards to limit access and visibility of personal or sensitive information in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974. The application will account for everyone in the MHS—Active Duty, Reserves, National Guard, government civilian, contractors and volunteers assigned or borrowed—this also includes non appropriated fund employees and foreign nationals.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 13,280.

Number of Respondents: 40,000.

Responses per Respondent: Four.

Average Burden per Response: .083.

Frequency: Annually.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

DMHRSi is one of the premier Joint Medical Information System software applications. It provides the Military Health System (MHS) (including Health Affairs, the TRICARE Management Activity, and the JMISO Office) with a comprehensive enterprise human resource system with capabilities to manage our personnel, manpower, education & training, labor cost assignment, and readiness functional areas. Everyone in the MHS—Active Duty, Reserves, National Guard, government civilian, contractor, and volunteer—assigned or borrowed, will be accounted for in DMHRSi.

Most JMIS products are designed for deployment to medical facilities and

field use. DMHRSi has applicability at the headquarters level allowing JMIS to use this product to conduct its own day-to-day workforce management. This comprehensive tool provides the capability to manage positions, develop telephone rosters, monitor individual training status, etc. Deciding to implement DMHRSi within all JMIS program offices, provides a great opportunity to LEAD BY EXAMPLE using the application just as we expect those “in the field” to do.

The information in DMHRSi is sometimes personal or sensitive; therefore it contains built-in safeguards to limit access and visibility of this information. DMHRSi uses role-based security so a user sees only the information for which permission has been granted. It uses state-of-the-market 128-bit encryption security for our transactions. It is DITSCAP certified, having been subjected to and passed thorough security testing and evaluation by independent parties. It meets safeguards specified by the Privacy Act of 1974 in that it maintains a published Department of Defense (DoD) Privacy Impact Assessment and System of Record covering Active Duty Military, Reserve, National Guard, and government civilian employees, to include non-appropriated fund employees and foreign nationals, DoD contractors, and volunteers. DMHRSi is hosted in a secure facility managed by the Defense Information Systems Agency.

For JMIS military and government civilian personnel, most of the required data is received from Service or DoD source systems. However, there may be some additional data entered locally. For contract support personnel, records must be created. So, the first step to implement DMHRSi in JMIS is to collect selected data and have it entered into the application. JMIS will provide templates to ease this initial data gathering process.

Once the initial record is created, there is some data such as local address and phone number that each employee can review and maintain individually. This is accomplished through the DMHRSi Employee Self-Service interface. Therefore, the second step to implement DMHRSi in JMIS is for all personnel to complete two online courses, Introduction to DMHRSi and DMHRSi Employee Self-Service. Training is through the MHS Learning Management System—MHS Learn—accessed at <https://mhslearn.satx.disa.mil>. MHS Learn guidance including login instructions and timelines for completion will be provided separately.