

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Jennifer Smith, Deputy Director for Laboratory Management ASA(ALT) Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Research and Technology, (703) 697-0685.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Eligibility: The entities allowed to participate in this competition are small businesses as defined in 13 CFR part 121. To qualify, the participating entity must fall within the size standard by North American Industry Classification System code 541713, 541714, and 541715.

There may be only one submission per business. In addition, each entity:

- Shall provide registration information in the xTechSearch Cover Letter registration form;
- Shall be incorporated in and maintain a primary place of business in the United States;
- Shall perform the work in the United States.
- May not be a Federal entity or Federal employee acting within the scope of their employment.

Registered participants shall be required to agree to assume any and all risks and waive claims against the Federal Government and its related entities, except in the case of willful misconduct, for any injury, death, damage, or loss of property, revenue, or profits, whether direct, indirect, or consequential, arising from their participation in a prize competition, whether the injury, death, damage, or loss arises through negligence or otherwise.

Participants shall be required to obtain liability insurance or demonstrate financial responsibility, in amounts determined by the Army, for claims by—

- Third parties for death, bodily injury, or property damage, or loss resulting from an activity carried out in connection with participation in a prize competition, with the Federal Government named as an additional insured under the registered participant's insurance policy and registered participants agreeing to indemnify the Federal Government against third party claims for damages arising from or related to prize competition activities; and

- Federal Government for damage or loss to Government property resulting from such an activity.

Prizes will be offered under 15 U.S.C. Section 3719 (Prize competitions).

- The total prize pool is \$1.95M.

#### Evaluation Criteria and Process

##### Phase I: Concept White Paper Contest

- All interested eligible contestants will submit a xTechSearch Cover Letter

registration form with a White Paper, of no greater than 1000 words, describing the novel technology concept, innovative application concept, and integration with the Army's modernization priorities and outlining their knowledge, skills, capabilities, and approach for this challenge. Contestants' concept papers will be reviewed by a panel of subject matter experts and judges who will select semifinalists who will be awarded a prize of \$1000 and be invited to the Phase II xTechSearch Technology Pitch Forums.

- Concept White Papers will be ranked based on the novelty of the proposed technology to revolutionizing and modernizing the Army. Each white paper must include the following:
  - Proposed Army Modernization Priority alignment,
  - Proposed concept and current technology maturity,
  - Concept White Paper Scoring Criteria:
    - Potential for Impact/ Revolutionizing the Army—50%
    - Scientific and Engineering Viability—30%
    - Team Experience and Abilities—20%

##### Phase II: xTechSearch Technology Pitches

• Up to one hundred twenty five (125) selected contestant semi-finalists will be invited to complete an in-person Technology pitch to a panel of Army and Department of Defense subject matter experts and judges at one of five selected locations across the United States.

• xTechSearch Technology Pitches will be ranked based on the novelty of the proposed technology to revolutionizing and modernizing the Army. Finalists will be selected based on the propensity of the technology to revolutionize Army missions, solve an Army capability gap, and catalyze with Army assets. Each technology pitch must include a proposal to demonstrate proof-of-concept for the technologies within 6 months.

- Up to twenty-five (25) finalists selected by the judge panel will receive a prize of \$5000 and be invited to display an exhibit and make a formal public oral presentation of their proposal at the 2018 AUSA Annual Meeting Innovators' Corner in Washington, DC.

- Scoring Criteria:
  - Potential for Impact/ Revolutionizing the Army—50%
  - Scientific and Engineering Viability; Proof-of-Concept Demonstration Plan—30%

- Team Experience and Abilities—20%

##### Phase III: AUSA Innovators' Corner

- Up to twenty-five (25) xTechSearch finalists will be featured at Innovators' Corner at the 2018 AUSA Annual Meeting and Exposition, 8–10 October 2018 in Washington, DC.

- Finalists will provide a display and a presentation on their submission in an Army-sponsored exhibit space and engage with Department of Defense (DoD) customers, industry partners, and academia.

- Up to twelve (12) Phase III prize winners will be announced, four (4) each day. Phase III prize winners will be awarded prizes of \$125,000 and 6 months to demonstrate proof-of-concept for their xTechSearch technology, to be demonstrated at an xTechSearch Finale Demonstration.

##### Phase IV: xTechSearch Finale Demonstration—April 2019

- Each Phase III winner will demonstrate proof-of-concept for their technology solution to senior DoD, Government, and industry leadership. The winner of the Finale Demonstration will be awarded a prize of \$200,000.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. Section 3719; Pub. L. 96-480, Section 24, as added Pub. L. 111-358, title I, Section 105a, Jan. 4, 2011 Stat. 3989

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID DOD-2018-HA-0038]

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

**ACTION:** Information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Defense Health Agency announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways

to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 August 27, 2018.

**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:* Department of Defense, Office of the Chief Management Officer, Directorate for Oversight and Compliance, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24 Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

*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 Defense Health Agency, TRICARE Health Plan, Policy and Benefits, 8111 Gatehouse Road, Falls Church, VA, 22042, Ms. Vonda Lawson or call (703) 275-6221.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* TriCare DoD/CHAMPUS Medical Claim Patient's Request for Medical Payment; DD-2642; OMB Control Number 0720-0006.

*Needs and Uses:* The DD-2642, "TRICARE DoD/CHAMPUS Medical Claim Patient's Request for Medical Payment" form is used by TRICARE beneficiaries to claim reimbursement for medical expenses under the TRICARE Program (formerly the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS)). The information collected will be used by TRICARE to determine beneficiary eligibility, other health insurance liability, certification that the beneficiary has the received care, and reimbursement for medical services received.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 207,500.  
*Number of Respondents:* 830,000.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.  
*Annual Responses:* 830,000.  
*Average Burden per Response:* 15 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

The respondents to this information collection are TRICARE beneficiaries which include active duty service members, retirees, family members, and others. The DD-2642 is used by beneficiaries to file for reimbursement of out-of-pocket costs paid to providers and suppliers for authorized health care services or supplies. The information collected by the DD-2642 also aids TRICARE in determining beneficiary eligibility, health insurance liability and to certify the beneficiary has received the medical care as indicated. Respondents may obtain the DD-2642 by various methods. The DD-2642 may be completed online via the TRICARE website, [tricare.mil](http://tricare.mil). Additionally, respondents may print the form from the TRICARE website or the Department of Defense forms web page, [www.esd.whs.mil/Directives/forms/](http://www.esd.whs.mil/Directives/forms/) and complete the DD-2642 by hand. Respondents may also call their designated regional contractor who can direct respondents on how to obtain the DD-2642. Respondents can identify their regional contractor through the TRICARE website. Respondents residing overseas may visit their local military treatment facility Tricare Service Center to request a copy of the DD-2642. Respondents may complete the DD-2642 online and submit it immediately, or in some cases, choose to mail their completed DD-2642 to their regional contractor. The regional contractor then enters the information into the TRICARE Record Encounter Data System.

Dated: June 21, 2018.

**Shelly E. Finke,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

**[Docket ID DoD-2018-OS-0017]**

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, DoD.

**ACTION:** 30-Day information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance the

following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by July 26, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be emailed to Ms. Jasmeet Seehra, DoD Desk Officer, at [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please identify the proposed information collection by DoD Desk Officer, Docket ID number, and title of the information collection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred Licari, 571-372-0493, or [whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil](mailto:whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB*

*Number:* Basic Criminal History and Statement of Admission (Department of Defense Child Care Services Programs); DD Form 2981; OMB Control Number 0704-0516.

*Type of Request:* Reinstate, with change.

*Number of Respondents:* 5,000.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 5,000.

*Average Burden per Response:* 15 minutes.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,250.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain a self-reported record of criminal history from each individual who comes into regular, reoccurring contact with children under the age of 18 years. Individuals are required to self-report any arrests, charges or convictions that would keep the individual from obtaining or maintaining a favorable suitability or fitness determination. Programs impacted are referenced within the 42 U.S. Code § 13041 and include impacted individuals such as employees, DoD contractors, providers, adults residing in a family child care home, volunteers, and others with regular reoccurring contact with children.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*OMB Desk Officer:* Ms. Jasmeet Seehra.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

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

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket