

maintained by a DoD Component may be disclosed as a routine use to any component of the Department of Justice for the purpose of representing the Department of Defense, or any officer, employee or member of the Department in pending or potential litigation to which the record is pertinent.

Disclosure of Information to the National Archives and Records Administration Routine Use: A record from a system of records maintained by a DoD Component may be disclosed as a routine use to the National Archives and Records Administration for the purpose of records management inspections conducted under authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906.

Disclosure to the Merit Systems Protection Board Routine Use: A record from a system of records maintained by a DoD Component may be disclosed as a routine use to the Merit Systems Protection Board, including the Office of the Special Counsel for the purpose of litigation, including administrative proceedings, appeals, special studies of the civil service and other merit systems, review of OPM or Component rules and regulations, investigation of alleged or possible prohibited personnel practices; including administrative proceedings involving any individual subject of a DoD investigation, and such other functions, promulgated in 5 U.S.C. 1205 and 1206, or as may be authorized by law.

Data Breach Remediation Purposes Routine Use: A record from a system of records maintained by a Component may be disclosed to appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when (1) The Component suspects or has confirmed that the security or confidentiality of the information in the system of records has been compromised; (2) the Component has determined that as a result of the suspected or confirmed compromise there is a risk of harm to economic or property interests, identity theft or fraud, or harm to the security or integrity of this system or other systems or programs (whether maintained by the Component or another agency or entity) that rely upon the compromised information; and (3) the disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with the Components efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed compromise and prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm.

The DoD Blanket Routine Uses set forth at the beginning of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) compilation of systems of records notices may apply to this system. The complete list of DoD Blanket Routine

Uses can be found Online at: <http://dpclo.defense.gov/Privacy/SORNsIndex/BlanketRoutineUses.aspx>.”

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RETRIEVABILITY:

Delete entry and replace with “Victim records are retrieved by first name, last name, identification number and type of identification provided, and/or Defense Sexual Assault Incident Database control number assigned to the incident.

Alleged perpetrator records are retrieved by first name, last name, and/or identification number and type of identification provided.”

SAFEGUARDS:

Delete entry and replace with “Records are maintained in a controlled facility. Physical entry is restricted by the use of guards, identification badges, key cards, and locks. Access to case files in the system is role-based and requires the use of a Common Access Card (CAC) and password. Access rights and permission lists for Sexual Assault Response Coordinators (SARCs) and authorized Military Service legal officers are granted by Military Service Sexual Assault Prevention and Response program managers through the assignment of appropriate user roles. Periodic security audits are also conducted. Technical safeguards include firewalls, passwords, encryption of data, and use of a virtual private network. Access is further restricted to authorized users on the Nonsecure Internet Protocol Router Network and with a CAC. In addition, the local drive resides behind a firewall and the direct database cannot be accessed from the outside.”

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RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Delete entry and replace with “Individuals, SARCs, Military Service Legal Officers (*i.e.* attorneys provided access to the system), Army Law Enforcement Reporting and Tracking System (Army), Consolidated Law Enforcement Operations Center (Navy), and Investigative Information Management System (Air Force).”

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID DoD–2015–OS–0118]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to alter a System of Records.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary of Defense proposes to alter a system of records, DMDC 02 DoD, entitled “Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting Systems (DEERS)” to record the issuance of DoD badges and identification cards, *i.e.*, Common Access Cards (CAC) or beneficiary identification cards; to authenticate and identify DoD affiliated personnel (*e.g.*, contractors); to grant physical and logical access to DoD facilities; to provide a database for determining eligibility for DoD entitlements and privileges; to detect fraud and abuse of the benefit programs by claimants and providers to include appropriate collection actions arising out of any debts incurred as a consequence of such programs; to identify current DoD civilian and military personnel for purposes of detecting fraud and abuse of benefit programs; to ensure benefit eligibility is retained after separation from the military; to maintain the Servicemembers’ Group Life Insurance (SGLI) and Family SGLI (FSGLI) coverage elections and beneficiaries’ information; to support DoD health care management programs, to include research and analytical projects, through Defense Health Agency (previously the TRICARE Management Activity); to support benefit administration for those beneficiaries that have granted permission for use of their personal email address for notification purposes relating to their benefits; to register current DoD civilian and military personnel and their authorized dependents for purposes of obtaining medical examination, treatment or other benefits to which they are entitled; to provide identification of deceased members; to assess manpower, support personnel and readiness functions, to include Continuous Evaluation programs; to perform statistical analyses; to determine Servicemember Civil Relief Act (SCRA) duty status as it pertains to SCRA legislation; to determine Military Lending Act (MLA) eligibility as it pertains to MLA legislation; information will be used by agency officials and employees, or authorized contractors, and other DoD

Components in the preparation of studies and policy as related to manpower and the health and well-being of current and past Armed Forces and DoD-affiliated personnel; to assist in recruiting prior-service personnel; and to notify military members eligible to vote about information for registration and voting procedures; to provide rosters of DoD affiliated persons at the time of an official declared natural or man-made disaster; and to provide appropriate contact information of DoD personnel and beneficiaries for the purpose of conducting surveys authorized by the Department of Defense. Authorized surveys are used as a management tool for statistical analysis, policy planning, reporting, evaluation of program effectiveness, conducting research, to provide direct feedback on key strategic indicators, and for other policy planning purposes.

DATES: Comments will be accepted on or before December 4, 2015. This proposed action will be effective the day following the end of the comment period unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

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

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

* *Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Chief Management Officer, Directorate of Oversight and Compliance, Regulatory and Audit Matters Office, 9010 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-9010.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number 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: Ms. Cindy Allard, Chief, OSD/JS Privacy Office, Freedom of Information Directorate, Washington Headquarters Service, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1155, or by phone at (571) 372-0461.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of the Secretary of Defense notices for systems of records subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the **Federal Register** and are available from the

address in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or at <http://dpcl.d.defense.gov/>.

The proposed system report, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, was submitted on October 29, 2015, to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to paragraph 4c of Appendix I to OMB Circular No. A-130, "Federal Agency Responsibilities for Maintaining Records About Individuals," dated February 8, 1996 (February 20, 1996, 61 FR 6427).

Dated: October 30, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

DMDC 02 DoD

SYSTEM NAME:

Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting Systems (DEERS) (November 21, 2012, 77 FR 69807).

CHANGES:

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SYSTEM LOCATION:

Delete entry and replace with "DMDC at DISA DECC Columbus, 3990 East Broad St, Bldg 23, Columbus, OH 43213-0240."

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Delete entry and replace with "Members, former members, retirees, civilian employees (includes non-appropriated fund) and contractor employees of the DoD and all of the Uniformed Services; Presidential appointees of all Federal Government agencies; Medal of Honor recipients; U.S. Military Academy students; non-Federal agency civilian associates (e.g., American Red Cross paid employees, United Service Organization (USO), Intergovernmental Personnel Act Employees (IPA), Boy and Girl Scout Professionals, non-DoD contract employees); DoD local national hires; Foreign Affiliates (military, civil, contractor, students); DoD beneficiaries; dependents; guardians and other protectors; prior military eligible for Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits; VA beneficiaries; beneficiaries of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (SGLI)/Family SGLI (FSGLI); members of the public treated for a medical emergency in a DoD or joint DoD/VA medical facility; and individuals requiring a Common Access Card to access DoD IT applications (i.e., Department of Homeland Security

employees, state National Guard Employees, and Affiliated Volunteers)."

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Delete entry and replace with "Individual's name; Service or Social Security Number (SSN); DoD ID number; residence address; mailing address; personal and work email addresses; date of birth; gender; mother's maiden name, branch of Service; primary and secondary fingerprints and photographs; Foreign National Identification Numbers; emergency contact person information; stored documents for proofing identity and association.

DEERS Benefits Number; relationship of beneficiary to sponsor, to include relationship and eligibility qualifiers (i.e. percent of support by sponsor, student or incapacitation status, guardian authorizations); SGLI/FSGLI beneficiaries information and amounts of coverage; pharmacy benefits; dates of beginning and ending eligibility; number of family members of sponsor; multiple birth code/birth order; primary unit duty location of sponsor; race and ethnic origin; occupation; rank/pay grade.

Disability documentation; wounded, ill and injured identification information; other health information (i.e., tumor/reportable disease registry, immunizations); Medicare eligibility and enrollment data; CHAMPVA and FEHB eligibility indicators; blood test results; Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA); dental care eligibility codes and dental x-rays.

Patient registration data for shared DoD/VA beneficiary populations, including VA Integration Control Number (ICN), VA patient type, patient category code and patient category TRICARE enrollment data (i.e., plan name, effective dates, primary care manager information, premium payment details), identity and relationship data, command interest code and name, command security code and name, medical fly status code.

Catastrophic Cap and Deductible (CCD) transactions, including monetary amounts; third party health insurance information on dependents; in addition to identity data and demographic data for beneficiaries such as contact information, family membership, and personnel information is captured as required to determine and maintain benefits; VA disability payment records; digital signatures where appropriate to assert validity of data; care giver information; immunization data; education benefit eligibility and usage; special military pay information; SGLI/FGLI; Privacy Act audit logs.

Character of service; reenlistment eligibility; entitlement conditions; activations and deployments; medals and awards data; citizenship data/ country of birth; civil service employee employment information (agency and bureau, pay plan and grade, nature of action code and nature of action effective date, occupation series, dates of promotion and expected return from overseas, service computation date); compensation data (*i.e.*, Department of Labor Compensation data); date of separation of former enlisted and officer personnel. Information Assurance (IA) Work Force information; language data; military personnel information (rank, assignment/deployment, length of service, military occupation, education, and benefit usage); reason leaving military service or DoD civilian service; Reserve member's civilian occupation and employment information; workforces information (*e.g.*, acquisition, first responders)."

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Delete entry and replace with "5 U.S.C. App. 3, Inspector General Act of 1978; 5 U.S.C. Chapter 90, Federal Long-Term Care Insurance; 10 U.S.C. 136, Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; 10 U.S.C. Chapter 53, Miscellaneous Rights and Benefits; 10 U.S.C. Chapter 54, Commissary and Exchange Benefits; 10 U.S.C. Chapter 58, Benefits and Services for Members being Separated or Recently Separated; 10 U.S.C. Chapter 75, Deceased Personnel; 10 U.S.C. 2358, Research and Development Projects; 10 U.S.C. Chapter 49, Section 987, Terms of Consumer Credit Extended to Members and Dependents; 20 U.S.C. 1070a (f)(4), Higher Education Opportunity Act; 31 U.S.C. 3512(c), Executive Agency Accounting and Other Financial Management Reports and Plans; 42 U.S.C. 18001 note, Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148); 42 U.S.C. 1973ff, Federal Responsibilities; 50 U.S.C. Chapter 23, Internal Security; 50 U.S.C. 501, Servicemember Civil Relief Act; DoD Directive 1000.04, Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP); DoD Directive 1000.25, DoD Personnel Identity Protection (PIP) Program; DoD Instruction 1015.9, Professional United States Scouting Organization Operations at United States Military Installations Located Overseas; DoD Instruction 1100.13, DoD Survey; DoD Instruction 1241.03 TRICARE Retired Reserve (TRS) Program; DoD Instruction 1241.04, TRICARE Reserve Select (TRS) Program; DoD Instruction 1336.05, Automated Extract of Active Duty Military Personnel Records; DoD Instruction

1341.2, Defense Eligibility Enrollment Reporting System (DEERS) Procedures; DoD Instruction 3001.02, Personnel Accountability in Conjunction with Natural or Manmade Disasters; Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12, Policy for a Common Identification Standard for Federal Employees and Contractors; DoD Instruction 7730.54, Reserve Components Common Personnel Data System (RCCPDS); 38 CFR part 9.20, Traumatic injury protection; 38 U.S.C. Chapter 19, Subchapter III, Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance; 42 U.S.C. 18001 note, Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148); and E.O. 9397 (SSN), as amended."

PURPOSE(S):

Delete entry and replace with "To record the issuance of DoD badges and identification cards, *i.e.*, Common Access Cards (CAC) or beneficiary identification cards.

To authenticate and identify DoD affiliated personnel (*e.g.*, contractors); to grant physical and logical access to DoD facilities.

To provide a database for determining eligibility for DoD entitlements and privileges; to detect fraud and abuse of the benefit programs by claimants and providers to include appropriate collection actions arising out of any debts incurred as a consequence of such programs; to identify current DoD civilian and military personnel for purposes of detecting fraud and abuse of benefit programs; to ensure benefit eligibility is retained after separation from the military; to maintain the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (SGLI) and Family SGLI (FSGLI) coverage elections and beneficiaries' information.

To support DoD health care management programs, to include research and analytical projects, through Defense Health Agency (previously the TRICARE Management Activity); to support benefit administration for those beneficiaries that have granted permission for use of their personal email address for notification purposes relating to their benefits; to register current DoD civilian and military personnel and their authorized dependents for purposes of obtaining medical examination, treatment or other benefits to which they are entitled; to provide identification of deceased members.

To assess manpower, support personnel and readiness functions, to include Continuous Evaluation programs; to perform statistical analyses; to determine Servicemember

Civil Relief Act (SCRA) duty status as it pertains to SCRA legislation; to determine Military Lending Act (MLA) eligibility as it pertains to MLA legislation; information will be used by agency officials and employees, or authorized contractors, and other DoD Components in the preparation of studies and policy as related to manpower and the health and well-being of current and past Armed Forces and DoD-affiliated personnel; to assist in recruiting prior-service personnel; and to notify military members eligible to vote about information for registration and voting procedures; and to provide rosters of DoD affiliated persons at the time of an official declared natural or man-made disaster.

To provide appropriate contact information of DoD personnel and beneficiaries for the purpose of conducting surveys authorized by the Department of Defense. Authorized surveys are used as a management tool for statistical analysis, policy planning, reporting, evaluation of program effectiveness, conducting research, to provide direct feedback on key strategic indicators, and for other policy planning purposes."

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

Delete entry and replace with "In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, these records herein may specifically be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

1. To Federal agencies and/or their contractors, the Transportation Security Administration and other federal transportation agencies, for purposes of authenticating the identity of individuals who, incident to the conduct of official business, present the Common Access Card or other valid identification as proof of identity to gain physical or logical access to government and contractor facilities, locations, networks, systems, or programs.

2. To Federal and State agencies to validate demographic data (*e.g.*, SSN, citizenship status, date and place of birth, etc.) for individuals in DMDC personnel and pay files so that accurate information is available in support of DoD requirements.

3. To the Social Security Administration for the purpose of verifying an individual's identity.

4. To the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA):

a. To provide uniformed service personnel (pay, wounded, ill, and

injured) identification data for present and former uniformed service personnel for the purpose of evaluating use of veterans' benefits, validating benefit eligibility and maintaining the health and well-being of veterans and their family members.

b. To provide identifying uniformed service personnel data to the DVA and its insurance program contractor for the purpose of conducting outreach and administration of benefits to qualified Service Members, Veterans and their dependents (38 U.S.C. 1977), notifying separating eligible Reservists of their right to apply for Veteran's Group Life Insurance coverage under the Veterans Benefits Improvement Act of 1996 (38 U.S.C. 1968) and for DVA to administer the Traumatic Servicemember's Group Life Insurance (TSGLI) (Traumatic Injury Protection Rider to Servicemember's Group Life Insurance (TSGLI), 38 CFR part 9.20).

c. To register eligible veterans and their dependents for DVA programs.

d. To provide former uniformed service personnel and survivor's financial benefit data to DVA for the purpose of identifying retired pay and survivor benefit payments for use in the administration of the DVA's Compensation and Pension Program (38 U.S.C. 5106). The information is to be used to process all DVA award actions more efficiently, reduce subsequent overpayment collection actions, and minimize erroneous payments.

e. To provide identifying uniformed service personnel data to the DVA for the purpose of notifying such personnel of information relating to educational assistance as required by the Veterans Programs Enhancement Act of 1998 (38 U.S.C. 3011 and 3034).

f. Providing to the Veterans Benefits Administration, DVA uniformed service personnel and financial data for the purpose of determining initial eligibility and any changes in eligibility status to insure proper payment of benefits for GI Bill education and training benefits by the DVA under the Montgomery GI Bill (10 U.S.C. Chapter 1606—Selected Reserve and 38 U.S.C. Chapter 30—Active Duty), the REAP educational benefit (Title 10 U.S.C Chapter 1607), and the National Call to Service enlistment educational benefit (10 Chapter 510), the Post 9/11 GI Bill (38 U.S.C. Chapter 33) and The Transferability of Education Assistance to Family Members. The administrative responsibilities designated to both agencies by the law require that data be exchanged in administering the programs.

5. To consumer reporting agencies to obtain identity confirmation and current

addresses of separated uniformed services personnel to notify them of potential benefits eligibility.

6. To Federal Agencies, to include OPM, United States Postal Service, Executive Office of the President and Administrative Office of the Courts; Department of Health and Human Services; Department of Education; Department of Veterans Affairs to conduct computer matching programs regulated by the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a), for the purpose of:

a. Providing all members of the Reserve Component of the Armed Forces to be matched against the Federal agencies for identifying those Reserve Component Service members that are also Federal civil service employees with eligibility for the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) program. This disclosure by the Federal agencies will provide the DoD with the FEHB program eligibility and Federal employment information necessary to determine initial and continuing eligibility for the TRICARE Reserve Select (TRS) program and the TRICARE Retired Reserve (TRR) program (collectively referred to as purchased TRICARE programs). Reserve Component members who are not eligible for FEHB program are eligible for TRS (section 1076d of title 10) or TRR (section 1076e of title 10).

b. Providing all members of the Reserve Component of the Armed Forces to be matched against the Federal agencies for the purpose of identifying the Ready Reserve Component Service members who are also employed by the Federal Government in a civilian position, so that reserve status can be terminated if necessary. To accomplish an emergency mobilization, individuals occupying critical civilian positions cannot be mobilized as Reservists.

c. Providing to the Department of Education for the purpose of identifying dependent children of those Armed Forces members killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom (OIF/OEF), Iraq and Afghanistan Only, for possible benefits.

d. Providing to the Veterans Benefits Administration, DVA uniformed service data for the purpose of determining eligibility and any changes in eligibility status to insure proper administration of benefits for GI Bill education and training benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill (10 U.S.C. Chapter 1606—Selected Reserve and 38 U.S.C. Chapter 30—Active Duty), the Post 9/11 GI Bill (38 U.S.C. Chapter 33).

e. Providing to the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services, Department of Health and Human

Service, for the purpose of identifying DoD eligible beneficiaries both over and under the age of 65 who are Medicare eligible. Current law requires TMA to discontinue military health care benefits to Military Health Services beneficiaries who are Medicare eligible unless they are enrolled in Medicare Part B.

f. Providing to the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services, Department of Health and Human Services, for the purpose of verifying individual's healthcare eligibility status, in accordance with the Affordable Care Act. Data provided to CMS will be used to make eligibility determinations for insurance affordability programs, administered by Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), the Basic Health Program (BHP) and the American Health Benefit Exchange.

7. To Federal agencies for the purpose of notifying Servicemember and dependent individuals of payments or other benefits for which they are eligible under actions of the Federal agencies.

8. To State agencies for the purpose of supporting State Veteran Affairs activities.

9. To the Department of Labor for unemployment compensation calculations.

10. To other Federal agencies and state, local and territorial governments to identify fraud and abuse of the Federal agency's programs and to identify debtors and collect debts and overpayment in the DoD health care programs.

11. To each of the fifty states and the District of Columbia for the purpose of determining the extent to which state Medicaid beneficiaries may be eligible for Uniformed Services health care benefits, including CHAMPUS, TRICARE, and to recover Medicaid monies from the CHAMPUS program.

12. To State and local child support enforcement agencies for purposes of providing information, consistent with the requirements of 29 U.S.C. 1169(a), 42 U.S.C. 666(a)(19), and E.O. 12953 and in response to a National Medical Support Notice (NMSN) (or equivalent notice if based upon the statutory authority for the NMSN), regarding the military status of identified individuals and whether, and for what period of time, the children of such individuals are or were eligible for DoD health care coverage. NOTE: Information requested by the States is not disclosed when it would contravene U.S. national policy or security interests (42 U.S.C. 653(e)).

13. To the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS):

a. For purposes of providing information, consistent with the

requirements of 42 U.S.C. 653 and in response to an HHS request, regarding the military status of identified individuals and whether the children of such individuals are or were eligible for DoD healthcare coverage and for what period of time they were eligible. Note: Information requested by HHS is not disclosed when it would contravene U.S. national policy or security interests (42 U.S.C. 653(e)).

b. For purposes of providing information so that specified Medicare determinations, specifically late enrollment and waiver of penalty, can be made for eligible (1) DoD military retirees and (2) spouses (or former spouses) and/or dependents of either military retirees or active duty military personnel, pursuant to section 625 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2002 (as codified at 42 U.S.C. 1395p and 1395r).

c. To the Office of Child Support Enforcement, Federal Parent Locator Service, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 653 and 653a; to assist in locating individuals for the purpose of establishing parentage; establishing, setting the amount of, modifying, or enforcing child support obligations; or enforcing child custody or visitation orders; the relationship to a child receiving benefits provided by a third party and the name and SSN of those third party providers who have a legal responsibility. Identifying delinquent obligors will allow state child support enforcement agencies to commence wage withholding or other enforcement actions against the obligors.

d. For purposes of providing information to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to account for the impact of DoD healthcare on local reimbursement rates for the Medicare Advantage program as required in 42 CFR 422.306.

14. To Coast Guard and Public Health Service to complete Individual Mandate Reporting and Employer Mandate reporting to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as required by Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (PL 111-148) and Sections 6055 and 6056 of the IRS Code.

15. To Federal and contractor medical personnel at joint DoD/VA health care clinics, for purposes of authenticating the identity of individuals who are registered as patients at the clinic and maintaining, through the correlation of DoD ID number and Integration Control Number (ICN), a shared population of DoD and VA beneficiaries who are users of the clinic.

16. To the American Red Cross for purposes of providing emergency

notification and assistance to members of the Armed Forces, retirees, family members or survivors.

17. To the Office of Disability and Insurance Security Programs, for the purpose of expediting disability processing of wounded military service members and veterans.

18. To Federally Funded Research Centers and grantees for the purpose of performing research on manpower problems for statistical analyses.

19. To Defense contractors to monitor the employment of former DoD employees and uniformed service personnel subject to the provisions of 41 U.S.C. 423.

20. Disclosure of Requested Information Routine Use: A record from a system of records maintained by a DoD Component may be disclosed to a federal agency, in response to its request, in connection with the hiring or retention of an employee, the issuance of a security clearance, the reporting of an investigation of an employee, the letting of a contract, or the issuance of a license, grant, or other benefit by the requesting agency, to the extent that the information is relevant and necessary to the requesting agency's decision on the matter.

21. To Federal and quasi Federal agencies, territorial, state and local governments, and contractors and grantees for the purpose of supporting research studies concerned with the health and well-being of active duty, reserve, and retired uniformed service personnel or veterans, to include family members. DMDC will disclose information from this system of records for research purposes when DMDC:

a. has determined that the use or disclosure does not violate legal or policy limitations under which the record was provided, collected, or obtained;

b. has determined that the research purpose (1) cannot be reasonably accomplished unless the record is provided in individually identifiable form, and (2) warrants the risk to the privacy of the individual that additional exposure of the record might bring;

c. has required the recipient to (1) establish reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to prevent unauthorized use or disclosure of the record, and (2) remove or destroy the information that identifies the individual at the earliest time at which removal or destruction can be accomplished consistent with the purpose of the research project, unless the recipient has presented adequate justification of a research or health nature for retaining such information, and (3) make no further use or

disclosure of the record except (A) in emergency circumstances affecting the health or safety of any individual, (B) for use in another research project, under these same conditions, and with written authorization of the Department, (C) for disclosure to a properly identified person for the purpose of an audit related to the research project, if information that would enable research subjects to be identified is removed or destroyed at the earliest opportunity consistent with the purpose of the audit, or (D) when required by law;

d. has secured a written statement attesting to the recipients' understanding of, and willingness to abide by these provisions.

22. To the Department of Homeland Security for the conduct of studies related to the health and well-being of Coast Guard members and to authenticate and identify Coast Guard personnel.

23. To Federal and State agencies for purposes of obtaining socioeconomic information on uniformed service personnel so that analytical studies can be conducted with a view to assessing the present needs and future requirements of such personnel.

24. To the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, for purposes of facilitating the verification of individuals who may be eligible for expedited naturalization (Pub. L. 108-136, Section 1701, and E.O. 13269, Expedited Naturalization).

25. To Coast Guard recruiters in the performance of their assigned duties.

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POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Delete entry and replace with "Paper records and electronic storage media."

RETRIEVABILITY:

Delete entry and replace with "Records about individuals can be retrieved using a search algorithm utilizing primary identity traits: Personal identifier (e.g., SSN, service number, foreign identification number, etc.), name, date of birth and gender, but can also include mailing address, telephone number, mother's maiden

name and place of birth when available. Individuals can be directly retrieved utilizing their DoD ID Number or DoD Benefits Number. Retrievals may be done by biometrics (*i.e.* fingerprints, photograph).

Retrievals for the purposes of generating address lists for direct mail distribution may be made using selection criteria based on geographic and demographic keys.”

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NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Delete entry and replace with “Individuals seeking to determine whether information about themselves is contained in this system should address written inquiries to the Deputy Director, Defense Manpower Data Center, DoD Center Monterey Bay, 400 Gigling Road, Seaside, CA 93955-6771.

Signed written requests should contain the full name, identifier (*i.e.* SSN, DoD ID or DoD Benefits Number), date of birth, and current address and telephone number of the individual.”

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Delete entry and replace with “Individuals seeking access to information about themselves contained in this system should address written inquiries to the Office of the Secretary of Defense/Joint Staff Freedom of Information Act Requester Service Center, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1155.

Signed written requests should contain the name and number of this system of records notice along with the full name, SSN, date of birth, current address, and telephone number of the individual.”

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RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Delete entry and replace with “Individuals and the personnel, pay, and benefit systems of the military and civilian departments, and agencies of the Uniformed Services, Department of Veteran Affairs, and other Federal agencies.”

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee under Section 9008(d) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 amended by the Agricultural Act of 2014. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation.

Dates and Times: November 18, 2015; 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m., November 19, 2015; 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hilton Garden Inn, 1800 Powell St., Emeryville, California 94608.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elliott Levine, Designated Federal Official for the Committee, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585; Email: Elliott.Levine@ee.doe.gov and Roy Tiley at (410) 997-7778 ext. 220; Email: rtiley@bcs-hq.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To develop advice and guidance that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include the following:

- Update on USDA Biomass R&D Activities
- Update on DOE Biomass R&D Activities
- Update the Biomass Research and Development Initiative
- California Perspective on Biofuels and Energy
- Annual Committee Recommendations

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you must contact Elliott Levine at; Email: Elliott.Levine@ee.doe.gov and Roy Tiley at (410) 997-7778 ext. 220; Email: rtiley@bcs-hq.com at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Co-chairs of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Co-chairs will conduct the meeting

to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at <http://biomassboard.gov/committee/meetings.html>.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 29, 2015.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DOE/NSF High Energy Physics Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Department of Energy, Office of Science.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the DOE/NSF High Energy Physics Advisory Panel (HEPAP). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, December 9, 2015, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, December 10, 2015, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Friday, December 11, 2015, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Newport Beach Marriott Hotel & Spa, 900 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Kogut, Executive Secretary; High Energy Physics Advisory Panel (HEPAP); U.S. Department of Energy; SC-25/ Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290; Telephone: (301) 903-1298.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance on a continuing basis to the Department of Energy and the National Science Foundation on scientific priorities within the field of high energy physics research.

Tentative Agenda: December 9–11, 2015

- Discussion of Department of Energy High Energy Physics Program
- Discussion of National Science Foundation Elementary Particle Physics Program
- Reports on and Discussions of Topics of General Interest in High Energy Physics
- Public Comment (10-minute rule)

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. A webcast of this meeting will be available. Please check the Web site below for updates and information on how to view the