

application. The users create a profile upon their initial access to the system, and they can modify the profile electronically as needed. The primary respondents of DTS are DoD civilians and military personnel. The secondary respondents (less than 1%) are members of the public, specifically dependents of DoD personnel and, in very rare cases, travel guests of DoD such as Academy students or foreign nationals.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2019-OS-0094]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, DoD.

**ACTION:** Information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Defense Technical Information Center 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 October 15, 2019.

**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 Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering Information Management Control Officer, 3030 Defense Pentagon, RM 3C152, Washington, DC 20301, Mr. Steve Lippi or call 703-614-4161.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Representations to Implement Appropriation Act Provisions on Felony Convictions and Unpaid Federal Tax Liabilities, OMB Control Number 0704-0494.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary to enable DoD awarding officials to exercise due diligence and continue to comply with provisions found in Sections 745 and 746 of the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2016 (Division E of Pub. L. 114-113, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016), as well as similar provisions that future years' appropriations acts may include. The requirements of these provisions were originally enacted in three Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 appropriations acts that made funds available to DoD Components for obligation. The details of the provisions in the three FY 2012 acts varied somewhat but they generally required DoD to consider suspension or debarment before using appropriated funding to enter into a grant or cooperative agreement with a corporation if the awarding official was aware that the corporation had an unpaid federal tax liability or was convicted of a felony criminal violation within the preceding 24 months. The FY 2012 provisions were in:

Sections 8124 and 8125 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2012 (Division A of Pub. L. 112-74, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012);

Section 514 of the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012 (Division H of Pub. L. 112-74); and

Sections 504 and 505 of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2012 (Division B of Pub. L. 112-74).

Generally, the requirements related to these provisions of the FY 2012 appropriations acts have been included in each subsequent fiscal year's appropriations acts. Since FY 2015, the provisions related to felony convictions and unpaid federal tax liabilities have been enacted in the government-wide general provisions portion of the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act.

*Affected Public:* Not-For-Profit institutions; Individuals or Households; Business or Other For-Profit; Farms; Federal Government; or State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,250.

*Number of Respondents:* 2,500.

*Responses per Respondent:* 6.

*Annual Responses:* 15,000.

*Average Burden per Response:* 5 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2019-OS-0097]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, DoD.

**ACTION:** Information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service 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 October 15, 2019.

**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 Office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service Information Management Control Officer, 8899 E 56th St., Indianapolis, IN 46249, Ms. Denise Shaffer or call 317-212-4461.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Application for Trusteeship, DD Form 2827, OMB License 0730-0013.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection is needed to identify the prospective trustees for active duty military and retirees. The information is required in order for the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) to make payments on behalf of incompetent military members or retirees. DFAS is representing all services as the functional proponent for Retired and Annuitant Pay.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 19 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 75.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 75.

*Average Burden per Response:* 15 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

Dated: August 13, 2019.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**TRICARE; Accountable Care Organization Demonstration**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of demonstration.

**SUMMARY:** Section 705(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (NDAA for FY17) requires the Secretary of Defense to develop and implement value-based incentive programs for the TRICARE Program. It also outlines recommendations for adapting existing value-based models, to include value-based incentive programs. The Defense Health Agency (DHA) intends to conduct and evaluate value-driven initiatives to move from volume-based reimbursement to value-based reimbursement for health care services. The proposed Accountable Care Organization (ACO) demonstration will help DHA assess whether value-driven incentives can reduce health care spending and improve health care quality for TRICARE beneficiaries.

**DATES:** This demonstration is a value-based incentive program consistent with Section 705(a) of the NDAA for FY17, with an effective and implementation date of January 1, 2020. This demonstration authority will remain in effect until December 31, 2022, unless terminated or extended by the DHA via a subsequent **Federal Register** notice. KP and HGB may begin marketing and beneficiary education activities on or after August 16, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Joseph Mirrow at [joseph.b.mirrow.civ@mail.mil](mailto:joseph.b.mirrow.civ@mail.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is to advise all parties of a DHA demonstration project under the authority of Title 10, United States Code, Section 1092, entitled, "TRICARE Accountable Care Organization Demonstration" that will monitor whether higher levels of beneficiary satisfaction, cost containment, efficiency and effectiveness can be reached using an ACO. The demonstration will develop and evaluate an incentive payment model that: (1) Links improvement of health (core performance metrics); (2) improves beneficiary experience as Section 705(a) requires; and (3) compares the health outcomes of geographically overlapping TRICARE Prime beneficiary populations. This demonstration is being conducted in compliance with Section 705(a) of the NDAA for FY17. The demonstration will be conducted

under the purview of the DHA and administered through the Managed Care Support Contractor (MCSC), Humana Government Business, Inc. (HGB), in conjunction with Kaiser Permanente (KP).

The DHA will monitor several areas of the ACO demonstration including but not limited to:

- Beneficiary experience and whether it is impacted, positively or negatively, by delivering care through an ACO model, which will be measured through existing tools (e.g. the Joint Outpatient Experience Survey) and reenrollment rates.
- Financial costs incurred under traditional TRICARE Prime and Select plans, and compare those cost to the negotiated capitated per member, per month (PMPM) rate under this demonstration. The demonstration will enable DHA to demonstrate proof of concept for future implementations throughout the TRICARE Program.
- Evaluate quality of care delivered under the ACO model compared to other TRICARE plans.

**A. Background**

Section 705(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for FY 2017 directed the Department of Defense to conduct demonstration projects on incentives to improve health care provided under the TRICARE Program, also known as paying for value, or value-based reimbursement, rather than paying for volume. The incentive programs should link payments to hospitals and health care providers under the TRICARE Program to improve performance with respect to quality, cost, and reduction in the provision of inappropriate care. In addition, Section 705(a) of NDAA FY 17 authorizes adaptation of existing value-based models, including value-based incentive programs. As such, this demonstration program is partially based on a capitation payment model with the outpatient and pharmacy portions of the care being capitated while inpatient care will be provided through a joint TRICARE network with Humana. A full or partial capitation model requires that a health care provider undertake the full (or partial) risk for health care quality and spending. This model is frequently used by commercial health plans as part of an overall approach to value-based reimbursement.

In an effort to mitigate rising health care costs and develop higher-quality patient care, the DHA intends to conduct an ACO demonstration to determine if greater levels of beneficiary satisfaction, cost containment, efficiency, and effectiveness can be