

addition to the DD 2064, a Death Certificate Information Sheet is completed to gather additional related information. This collection of information is authorized by 10 U.S.C. 1471, "Forensic Pathology Investigations"; 10 U.S.C. 1509, "Program to Resolve Missing Persons Cases"; and DoD Instruction 5154.30, "Armed Forces Medical Examiner System (AFMES) Operations."

AFMES is a government-developed system that provides medical examiners the ability to track and record autopsy and consultation information. Information is pushed from the Defense Casualty Information Processing System (DCIPS) in to AFMES. If needed, additional information required to complete the DD 2064 may be collected by medical legal death investigators. This information may be collected from the deceased's next-of-kin or workplace over the phone or via email. The additional collected information is recorded into AFMES. To generate a DD 2064, the aggregate collected information contained within AFMES is synthesized electronically to fill respective fields on the DD 2064. This form is signed by the examining pathologist. The completed and signed document is retained within AFMES. Depending on circumstances, the completed DD 2064 is sent to the deceased's next-of-kin, the designated funeral home, or the branch casualty office by Federal Express Certified Mail. If the deceased was a member of the military at the time of death, the DD 2064 may be downloaded by the service casualty offices who will print out copies to disseminate as required.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 170.

Number of Respondents: 170.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 170.

Average Burden per Response: 1 hour.

Frequency: On occasion.

Dated: October 16, 2023.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Medical Malpractice Claims by Members of the Uniformed Services; Notice of Increase in Cap on Non-Economic Damages

AGENCY: Department of Defense Office of General Counsel, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of increase in cap on noneconomic damages.

SUMMARY: This notice provides information on the increase in the cap on non-economic damages for DoD medical malpractice claims filed by members of the Uniformed Services.

DATES: The increased cap is effective October 20, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa D. Walters, (703) 681-6027, melissa.d.walters.civ@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A final rule published in the **Federal Register** on August 22, 2022 (87 FR 52446-52463), 32 CFR 45.10(c), requires the Department of Defense to publish periodic updates to the cap on non-economic damages, consistent with changes in the prevailing amounts in the States with non-economic damages caps.

The cap on non-economic damages is increased from \$600,000 to \$750,000. This change reflects changes in State law, including changes in those States that periodically increase their damages cap to reflect inflation, and to account for average jury verdicts in those states that have caps on non-economic damages that do not apply in cases of more serious injury.

Dated: October 12, 2023.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

[Docket ID: USN-2023-HQ-0018]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 60-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Department of the Navy Office of Force Resiliency 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 December 19, 2023.

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 Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, 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 Navy Survey Program Office, 701 S Courthouse Road, Arlington, VA 22204, ATTN: Dr. Richard Linton, or call 703-604-6058.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Navy LivingWorks Program Surveys; OMB Control Number: 0703-LWRK.

Needs and Uses: Information collection is necessary to evaluate the LivingWorks suicide prevention training program, supporting the mission of the Department of the Navy (DON) Office of Force Resiliency (OFR) to provide oversight of Navy and Marine Corps programs. OFR is utilizing three surveys to conduct the training program

evaluation. Two surveys will evaluate the knowledge and opinions of trainees before and after training. The final survey will be conducted annually and target trained personnel once they are out in the fleet. The survey findings will be utilized internally to inform future trainings and policy, close identified gaps in knowledge, and more effectively reach command personnel trained in suicide prevention and responsible for promoting a comprehensive approach to improving command climate. The surveys will also help determine the efficacy of the LivingWorks program and if it is the best use of DON resources based on the outcomes and return on investment.

Affected Public: Public is not affected by this collection; it is internal to the Navy.

Annual Burden Hours: 750.

Number of Respondents: 1,500.

Responses per Respondent: 3 in the first year, 1 in subsequent years.

Annual Responses: 4,500.

Average Burden per Response: 10 minutes.

Frequency: Three times in the first year, annually thereafter.

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DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Notice of Public Hearing and Business Meeting; November 8 and December 6, 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Delaware River Basin Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 8, 2023. A business meeting will be held the following month on Wednesday, December 6, 2023. Both the hearing and the business meeting are open to the public and both will be conducted remotely. Details about the remote platforms for the public hearing and the business meeting will be posted on the Commission's website, www.drbc.gov, at least ten days prior to the respective hearing and meeting dates. Both events will be streamed live on the Commission's YouTube channel.

Public Hearing. The Commission will conduct the public hearing virtually on November 8, 2023, commencing at 1:30 p.m. Hearing items will include draft dockets for withdrawals, discharges, and other projects that could have a substantial effect on the basin's water

resources. A list of the projects scheduled for hearing, including project descriptions, along with links to draft docket approvals, will be posted on the Commission's website, www.drbc.gov, in a long form of this notice at least ten days before the hearing date.

Written comments on matters scheduled for hearing on November 8, 2023 will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

The public is advised to check the Commission's website periodically during the ten days prior to the hearing date, as items scheduled for hearing may be postponed if additional time is needed to complete the Commission's review. Items also may be added up to ten days prior to the hearing date. In reviewing docket descriptions, the public is asked to be aware that the details of projects may change during the Commission's review, which is ongoing.

Business Meeting. The business meeting on December 6, 2023 will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will include: adoption of the Minutes of the Commission's September 7, 2023 business meeting; announcements of upcoming meetings and events; a report on hydrologic conditions; reports by the Executive Director and the Commission's General Counsel; and consideration of any items for which a hearing has been completed or is not required. The agenda is expected to include consideration of the draft dockets for withdrawals, discharges, and other projects that were subjects of the public hearing on November 8, 2023.

After all scheduled business has been completed and as time allows, the business meeting will be followed by up to one hour of Open Public Comment, an opportunity to address the Commission off the record on any topic concerning management of the basin's water resources outside the context of a duly noticed, on-the-record public hearing.

There will be no opportunity for additional public comment for the record at the December 6, 2023 business meeting on items for which a hearing was completed on November 8, 2023 or a previous date. Commission consideration on December 6, 2023 of items for which the public hearing is closed may result in approval of the item (by docket or resolution) as proposed, approval with changes, denial, or deferral. When the Commissioners defer an action, they may announce an additional period for written comment on the item, with or without an additional hearing date, or they may take additional time to consider the input they have already

received without requesting further public input. Any deferred items will be considered for action at a public meeting of the Commission on a future date.

Advance Registration and Sign-Up for Oral Comment. Links for registration to attend the public hearing and the business meeting will be posted at www.drbc.gov at least ten days before each meeting date. Registrants who wish to comment on the record during the public hearing on November 8, 2023 or to address the Commissioners informally during the Open Public Comment session following the meeting on December 6, 2023 as time allows, will be asked to so indicate when registering. The Commission's public hearing, business meeting, and Open Public Comment session will also be livestreamed on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/@DRBC_1961. For assistance, please contact Ms. Patricia Hausler of the Commission staff, at patricia.hausler@drbc.gov.

Addresses for Written Comment. Written comment on items scheduled for hearing may be made through the Commission's web-based comment system, a link to which is provided at www.drbc.gov. Use of the web-based system ensures that all submissions are captured in a single location and their receipt is acknowledged. Exceptions to the use of this system are available based on need, by writing to the attention of the Commission Secretary, DRBC, P.O. Box 7360, 25 Cosey Road, West Trenton, NJ 08628-0360. For assistance, please contact Patricia Hausler at patricia.hausler@drbc.gov.

Accommodation for Special Needs. Closed captioning will be available on both webinar and live-stream platforms. Those with limited internet access may listen and speak at virtual public meetings of the DRBC using any of several toll-free phone numbers that will be provided to all virtual meeting registrants.

Individuals in need of the accommodations as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act who wish to attend the meeting or hearing should contact the Commission Secretary directly at 609-883-9500 ext. 203 or through the Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) at 711, to discuss how we can accommodate your needs.

Additional Information, Contacts. Additional public records relating to hearing items may be examined at the Commission's offices by appointment by contacting Donna Woolf, 609-883-9500, ext. 222. For other questions concerning hearing items, please contact David Kovach, Project Review Section Manager, at 609-883-9500, ext. 264.