

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 May 17, 2024.

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 Defense Health Agency, 7700 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church, VA 22042, Amanda Grifka, 703-681-1771.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Reserve Component Health Coverage Request; DD Form 2896-1; OMB Control Number 0720-RCHC.

Needs and Uses: DD Form 2896-1 is used by certain Reserve Component members and retired members to purchase or make changes to coverage under the TRICARE Reserve Select and TRICARE Retired Reserve (TRR) health plan. Eligible beneficiaries must complete this form using the online Beneficiary Web Enrollment (BWE) portal. Each respondent (eligible Reserve Component members and retired members) is required to use the BWE portal to enroll, disenroll or change their enrollment. The information collected ensures a beneficiary is eligible for TRICARE and his/her TRICARE enrollment is correctly updated to reflect their TRICARE plan of choice, address, etc. If the beneficiary does use the form or BWE portal to enroll in a TRICARE plan option, the TRICARE beneficiary is defaulted into direct care only, limiting their health care options to only military hospitals and clinics.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 61,017.5.

Number of Respondents: 122,035.

Responses per Respondent: 2.

Annual Responses: 244,070.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: As required.

Dated: March 12, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2023-OS-0092]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (OUSD(P&R)), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (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 April 17, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Reginald Lucas, 571-372-7574, or whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 572 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 required commanders of each military command to conduct a climate assessment of the command or unit for purposes of preventing sexual assault. A subsequent November 2015 memo from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD P&R), and further a 2022 DoD Instruction (DoDI 6400.11) designated the DEOCS as the survey tool to support the NDAA requirement for a DoD

command climate assessment program. A DEOCS is conducted annually in all active duty and Reserve component DoD units and DoD civilian personnel organizations. Also included in the DEOCS population are active duty and Reserve component members of the Coast Guard, students and staff at the US Merchant Marine Academy, and foreign nationals working for the DoD. The survey is web-based and is a census of the commander’s unit. The core survey questions are organized into three main categories that include (1) unit experience, (2) leadership, and (3) behaviors and personal experience. The DEOCS includes a module collecting information on the attitudes and experiences of Active duty and Reserve component military members related to racial/ethnic relations in the military. The module content is derived from the Armed Forces Workplace and Equal Opportunity (WEO) survey (OMB license 0704-0631) and provides primary data on estimated prevalence rates of racial/ethnic harassment and discrimination and climate that is required by the Secretary of Defense biennially (Esper 2020). To reduce survey burden for Active and Reserve component members, key measures previously collected under OMB license 0704-0659 will be included as a module to the DEOCS for a subset of Active and Reserve component DEOCS respondents.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Defense Organizational Climate Survey (DEOCS) 5.1; OMB Control Number 0704-0659.

Type of Request: Revision.

Number of Respondents: 1,589,098.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 1,589,098.

Average Burden per Response: 35 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 926,974.

Needs and Uses: The purpose of the Defense Organizational Climate Survey (DEOCS) is to assess command climate at the unit/organizational level across the Department of Defense (DoD) and serves as a tool, helping commanders and leaders improve their command climate. Military commanders and DoD civilian organization leaders are required to administer a DEOCS to their unit or organization annually. The DEOCS was initially developed in response to DoD Instruction (DoDI) 1350.2 which mandated the creation of a Military Equal Opportunity program as well as the administration of a command climate assessment. The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for FY 2013 (Section 572)—and amended by section 1721 of the NDAA FY 2014—further mandates the climate

assessment within all DoD organizations for purposes of preventing sexual assaults. A subsequent November 2015 memo from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD P&R) designated the DEOCS as the survey tool to support the NDAA requirement for a DoD command climate assessment program. A May 2019 memo from the Acting Secretary of Defense directed that the goals of the DEOCS include developing and providing leaders with assessment tools to “help them with developing an appropriate course of action from a suite of interventions and provide them with feedback on their impact of their efforts.” The DoD Instruction (DoDI) 6400.11 further specified the requirements for DEOCS fielding.

The DEOCS will be administered to Active Duty and Reserve component members, DoD Civilians, and Military Service Academy (MSA) and MSA Preparatory School members (hereafter, MSA Prep School) in order to meet this statutory requirement for the DoD. The universe of the DoD community also includes foreign nationals who are employed by the DoD. Additionally, the DEOCS will also include Active, Reserve, and MSA components of the United States Coast Guard and students/staff at the United States Merchant Marine Academy. The DEOCS includes a module fielded to a subset of Active Duty and Reserve component members to collect information on their attitudes and experiences related to racial/ethnic relations in the military.

The statutory and policy requirements for the DEOCS, including the module, can be found in the following:

- FY13 NDAA, Section 572
- FY14 NDAA, Section 1721
- DoD Instruction (DoDI) 6400.11, “DoD Integrated Primary Prevention Policy for Prevention Workforce and Leaders”
- DoD Instruction (DoDI) 1350.2, “DoD Military Equal Opportunity Program”
- Immediate Actions to Improve Diversity & Inclusion (Esper, 2020)

Affected Public: Individuals and Households.

Frequency: As required.

Unit commanders and organizational leaders must administer a DEOCS yearly, within the annual fielding window, unless they are unable to do so as a result of mission requirements. The annual fielding window for the DEOCS 5.1 is from August 1 to November 30, however, the DEOCS is available for fielding continuously throughout the year for units or organizations that cannot field during the survey window. Currently, there is not a standardized

method for defining at which level in the hierarchy units are required to take the DEOCS, how to define a unit, or how to define unit membership. As a result, there may be overlap between DEOCS units resulting in individuals taking more than one DEOCS. DoDI 6400.11 was established in 2022 and reduces occurrences of overlapping DEOCS. The DEOCS module is field in response to a 2020 Secretary of Defense action memorandum (Esper, 2020) requiring the biennial survey of Active Duty and Reserve component members regarding their attitudes and experiences related to racial/ethnic relations in the military and replaces (OMB Control Number 0704–0659) to reduce cost and survey burden.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet Seehra.

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DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Reginald Lucas.

Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Reginald Lucas at whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

Dated: March 12, 2024.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Fielding Successful Medical Products Survey; OMB Control Number 0720–VOIP.

Type of Request: New.
Number of Respondents: 50.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 50.
Average Burden per Response: 30 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 25.
Needs and Uses: As part of 59th Medical Wing’s Science & Technology, Technology Transfer and Transition (59 MDW/ST–T3) Office’s continuous process improvement effort, this proposed information collection will gather feedback from companies which have successfully developed and marketed commercially-available medical products to the DoD over the last five (5) years. The questionnaire elicits information about (a) funding streams, processes, ideas, partnerships, and pathways, (b) Food & Drug Administration (FDA) approval/clearance, (c) teaming arrangements, management strategies, and leadership approaches, and (d) barriers and enablers to marketing to the DoD. By performing this market analysis, we aim to develop actionable, data-driven recommendations for improving acquisition of innovative medical solutions. An analysis of responses permits a clear understanding how the DoD can influence, emulate, and facilitate successful production and provisioning of new/novel medical products (capabilities) to address existing requirements or enhance existing medical/health capabilities.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD–2023–HA–0105]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (OASD(HA)), Department of Defense (DoD).