

Giese, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), TRICARE Management Activity at (703) 681-1757 Ext 5658.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: TRICARE Senior Prime Enrollment Application Form; OMB No. 0720-0018.

Needs and Uses: This information collection is a requirement for TRICARE Senior Prime, a joint demonstration project of military managed health care conducted by the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Under this demonstration, authorized by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, DoD will offer Medicare-eligible military retirees and their dependents enrollment in a DoD-operated managed health care program. Medicare-eligible beneficiaries will be offered the opportunity to enroll at selected Medical Treatment Facilities (MTFs) in a managed care program modeled after the existing TRICARE Prime benefit. Medicare will reimburse DoD on a capitated basis for health care services it provides to the enrolled beneficiaries. Dual-eligible beneficiaries seeking enrollment in the program will be required to fill out an enrollment application which will provide information pertaining to eligibility for the program, personal information for identification purposes, and information on other health insurance.

Affected Public: Individuals or household.

Annual Burden Hours: 25,536 hours.

Number of Respondents: 77,381.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 20 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Currently, Medicare-eligible military retirees are not eligible to participate in TRICARE, DoD's triple option health care benefit for military retirees and active duty dependents. Their participation in the Military Health System (MHS) is limited to receiving health care on a space-available basis at MTFs. The TRICARE Senior Prime demonstration project seeks to show that a DoD-operated managed care program can provide health care services to beneficiaries eligible for both military health care and Medicare more effectively and efficiently than under the current DoD-operated system.

Dated: August 14, 1998.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Uniform Tender of Rates and/or Charges for Domestic Transportation Services (DoD/USCG Sponsored HHG); MT-HQ Form 43-R; OMB Number 0702-0018.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.

Number of Respondents: 1,268.

Responses per Respondent: 4.

Annual Responses: 5,402.

Average Burden per Response: 30 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,701.

Needs and Uses: Department of Defense (DoD) approved household goods carriers file voluntary rates to engage in the movement of DoD and United States Coast Guard sponsored shipments within the continental United States (CONUS). MT-HQ Form 43-R, Uniform Tender of Rates and/or Charges for Domestic Transportation Services, is the carrier's certification that business will be conducted with DoD in accordance with the Tender of Service, solicitations, and other instructions, as published. Headquarters, Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC), evaluates the rates and awards traffic to low-rate, responsible carriers, whose rates are responsive and most advantageous to the Government.

Affected Public: Business or Other For-Profit.

Frequency: On occasion.

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

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Peter N. Weiss.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Weiss at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: August 14, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title, Associated Forms, and OMB Number: Freight Carrier Qualification/Required Documents; MT Forms 377-R, 380-R, and 381-R; OMB Number 0702-0088.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.

Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 1,000.

Average Burden Per Response: 8.5 hours.

Annual Burden Hours: 8,500.

Needs and Uses: The information is used in determining capability to perform quality service in transporting Department of Defense (DoD) freight. Freight carriers will furnish the Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC) information to determine if individuals or associated companies are affiliated with government-debarred carriers and will reflect the carrier's financial stability. The Carrier Qualification Program (CQP) is designed to protect the interest of the Government and to ensure that DoD deals with responsible carriers having the capability to provide quality and dependable service.

Affected Public: Business or Other For-Profit.

Frequency: On occasion.

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

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Peter N. Weiss.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Weiss at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Renewal and Meeting of the Board of Visitors for the Department of Defense Centers for Regional Security Studies

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Pub. L. 92-463, the "Federal Advisory Committee act," notice is hereby given of the renewal of the Board of Visitors for Department of Defense Centers for Regional Security.

The Board will provide advice on matters related to mission, policy, faculty, students, curricula, educational methods, research, facilities, and administration of the (1) George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, (2) Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, (3) Inter-American Center for Defense Studies, and (4) any other similar regional security studies centers subsequently established by the Department of Defense.

The Board will consist of a balanced membership of approximately 25 accomplished individuals from government, academia, business, industry, research, the military and other professions closely related to national security affairs, appointed by the Secretary of Defense.

The Board will meet in closed session at the Pentagon on September 9, 1998, from 0900 to 1330.

The purpose of the meeting is to allow the Board of Visitors to provide advice on the role the Regional Centers for Regional Security play in the broader U.S. national security context. The Board will hold classified discussions on national security matters.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. No. 92-463, as amended [5 U.S.C. App II (1982)], it has been determined that this meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552B(c)(1)(1982), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Smith, 703-693-0482.

Dated: August 17, 1998.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0033]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Contractor's Signature Authority

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Contractor's Signature Authority. A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 33055, June 17, 1998. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before September 21, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Nelson, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, (202) 501-1900.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

Entities doing business with the Government must identify those persons who have the authority to bind the principal. This information is needed to ensure that Government contracts are legal and binding. The information is used by the contracting officer to ensure that authorized persons sign contracts.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 minute per completion, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 4,800 responses per respondent, 1; total annual responses, 4,800; preparation hours per response, .017; and total response burden hours, 82.

OBTAINING COPIES OF PROPOSALS:

Requester may obtain a copy of the justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0033, Contractor's Signature Authority, in all correspondence.

Dated: August 18, 1998.

Edward C. Loeb,

Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Armed Forces Epidemiological Board (AFEB)

AGENCY: Office of The Surgeon General, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of Public Law 92-463, The Federal Advisory Committee Act, this announces the forthcoming AFEB Infectious Disease Subcommittee meeting. This subcommittee will meet from 0800-1630 on Friday, 18 September 1998. The purpose of the subcommittee meeting is to address several pending subcommittee issues and to provide briefings for subcommittee members on topics related to ongoing and new issues. The meeting location will be at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, Washington, DC.

The Infectious Disease Subcommittee meeting will be open to the public, but limited by space accommodations. Any interested person may attend, appear before or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: COL Benedict Diniega, AFEB Executive Secretary, Armed Forces