

# Army MEPRS Program Office Newsletter

Bacon's Bits

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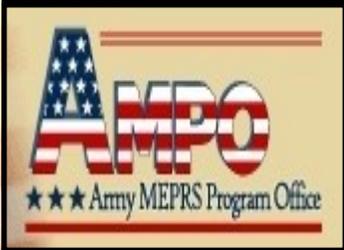
The hottest month on record in the U.S. was July of 2012; however, it has already hit 100 degrees here in San Antonio and it's only the 1<sup>st</sup> of July. How hot is it you ask – it's so hot my change melted into a medallion in my purse. Getting into my car the other day, I realized my seat belt could be used as a branding iron. Even the sun is looking for some shade. My biggest concern - the damage to my shoes as the asphalt turns into a liquid state.

Everyone has done an amazing job in meeting the monthly suspense's in FY13. Thank you for all your efforts and hard work. AMPO continues to focus their efforts on data quality and we ask that you continue to do the same. We are currently developing additional queries for the Data Quality Site Summary Reports; they include depreciation and medical home. We are also updating the DMHRSi Data Check tool to include a module that will check the man hours against the workload. This update should save you a significant amount of time.

If you haven't seen the memorandum signed by Mr. Middleton announcing the initiative on the Standardized Budget, Financial Accounting and Common Managerial Cost Structure, please ask your analyst for a copy. Within the memo, it states the intent to align cost accounting structures and related business rules to improve the cost of data. The key to achieve standard nomenclature is ensuring accuracy and standardization with MEPRS. The MEPRS Management Improvement Group (MMIG) is working with the Resource Management Steering Committee to identify and resolve MEPRS reporting variances and AMPO will be soliciting your assistance in obtaining this goal.

You have to love a nation that celebrates its Independence every July 4, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism. ~Erma Bombeck. Best wishes to you and your families for a safe and Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Have a great month!



## BEST-OF-THE-BEST Data Reporting Month of April 2013

Army Medical Treatment Facilities (MTF) MEPRS Office personnel are known for their dedication and meticulous performance of their duties. This is evident when reviewing the compliance with requirements placed on them from within their commands along with those imposed by MEDCOM.

MTF Ranking is based on point values assessed for compliance with current FY EAS Timeliness, Defense Medical Human Resource System internet (DMHRSi) Timecard Compliance, Financial Reconciliation submission, Narrative submission, Discrepancies for FY08-FY12 (AMPO Discrepancies, and Unauthorized FTE's), and un-validated discrepancies on the Advice and Assist Reports generated as a result of MEWACS data population. Contact your AMPO analyst for additional details on the ranking methodology.

**MEDCEN:**

DARNALL ARMY MEDICAL CENTER  
DIANE PAPKE & STAFF

EXCEPTIONAL EFFORTS!

**BEDDED:**

WEED ARMY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL  
VALARIE DE ROSE & STAFF

CONGRATULATIONS!

**UNBEDDED:**

LYSTER ARMY HEALTH CLINIC  
KATHY KELLEY & STAFF

AWESOME JOB!

## ORISE PARTICIPATION WITHIN ARMY WELLNESS CENTERS

The U.S. Army Public Health Command (USAPHC) is the MEDCOM proponent with Enterprise Governance in establishing standardized Army Wellness Centers (AWC) throughout the Army. The USAPHC has established a formal Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for participation in the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) programs. This agreement provides an excellent opportunity for the Army to help develop the scientists, engineers, and health professionals critical to technical infrastructure of the nation. Those who complete this program may be available for employment with Army organizations, Army contractors, as well as the civilian community.

Utilizing this agreement the USAPHC may provide staffing for AWCs at selected installations. These individuals are being provided as an interim until permanent positions can be authorized. The staff provided will largely be students in an academic program leading to a high school diploma, an associate, baccalaureate, graduate degree, or approved certificate program. The duties and responsibilities of these individuals is provided when they are selected to participate in the program and identified to work at the AWC. There will be no payroll associated with these individuals as they are provided a stipend funded through the ORISE program. While providing support in the performance of their duties within the AWC these individuals will **not** be required to enter man-hours into DMHRSi.

## DMHRSi TIMECARD GUIDANCE FOR GME/GDE STUDENTS

Well it is that time of year again when GME/GDE interns, residents and fellows either move up in their training program or graduate to a permanent party duty status. A change in the assignment category from Regular-full time to GME/GDE and vice versa affects the flow of the timecards in DMHRSi, causing the timecard to get stuck in the process. Timecards for the month of June and July for all new and departing GME/GDE students will need to be batched entered. Batching the timecards from the start will eliminate the extra work of entering the timecard via time entry and when the timecard gets stuck, just to be told to batch the timecard.

GME/GDE students who do not have a change in their assignment category will not be affected and the normal monthly timecard can be entered for them.

## DQ SUMMARY REPORT

The DQ Summary Report are being developed for FY14 processing, these reports will be run by the facilities after EAS transmission. These checks will consist of Allocation, Workload, Data Set and Business Rule discrepancies. Personnel discrepancies checks will be added to the DMHRSi Data Check Tool. DQ queries will be available in the Army Corporate folder for MEPRS Personnel to run discrepancy for their MTF.

## MIDWIFE AND PSYCHIATRIC/BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER

The following Additional Skill Identifiers (ASIs) are scheduled to convert to new Areas of Concentration (AOCs) without ASIs on 1 October 2013. These new AOCs have been added to the Army SUOC Table and have been loaded in EASi on the date indicated below. Please coordinate with your staff and HR to ensure they are aware of these changes and update the employee's records, as required. The current SUOC Table has been forwarded to the HR POCs and is available on the AMPO Army website. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your AMPO Analyst.

Current Skill Identifier	New AOC	Occupation Title	Date Scheduled to load into EASi
66H8D	66W	Certified Nurse Midwife	24 June 2013
66CM8	66R	Psychiatric / Behavioral Health Nurse Practitioner	26 April 2013



Question: How should furlough time be coded in DMHRSi?

Answer: Civilian payroll should enter furlough time using pay code KE; in DMHRSi enter the man hours should be entered using task 02.04 Civ Leave W/O Pay.

## *Hail & Farewells*

*We welcome the following new members and bid farewell to those who have retired/or embarked on new paths!*

### Hail

Employee	Site	Date
LTC Heidi P. Mon	EACH, Ft. Carson	1 July 2013

### Farewell

Employee	Site	Date
MAJ Tameka Rogers	MACH, Ft. Jackson	2 July 2013
LTC Russell DeVries	EACH, Ft. Carson	30 June 2013

