

# Army MEPRS Program Office Newsletter

## Bacon's Bits

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Congratulations to Rebecca Castaneda and Felicia Brooks for taking home the coveted prize (the beautiful embroidered T-shirts) for winning the scavenger hunt at the basic MEPRS class. I must say I was really surprised at the number of new MEPRS analysts that attended the class. Using New to describe individuals with months, even weeks on the job and one individual who attended the class before starting her new MEPRS job. Despite the technical difficulties, the consensus was it was a great class and I was very impressed with how quickly the students were catching on to the overall concept of MEPRS. For those of us that have been around a long time, we know that MEPRS is certainly not a job you will learn in a few months, so please be patient with my newbies!

There are four QUEST training sessions being held here in San Antonio between February and August 2013. The QUEST is an excellent training opportunity and is designed to challenge your analytical aptitude and is focused on the extraction and interpretation of the EAS IV Repository data. Please read the August edition of the TMA MEPRS newsletter for the exact dates. TMA is also establishing a MEPRS Dashboard and currently consists of 4 metrics that include Compliance, YTD Completion for the MHS, DMHRSi and EAS System Availability, and MEWACS Data Anomalies.

Did you know 9 September is National Teddy Bear Day? So, why not bring your furry friend (again I'm talking about the teddy bear) to the office and have some fun!

Wherever the road takes you this Labor Weekend, please be safe .

Have a great month!



## BEST-OF-THE-BEST

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:**  
FT. HOOD  
DIANE PAPKE & STAFF  
EXCEPTIONAL EFFORTS!

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**BEDDED:**  
WEST POINT  
MARIE PALMIERI & STAFF  
CONGRATULATIONS!

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**UNBEDDED:**  
FT RUCKER  
KATHY KELLEY & STAFF  
AWESOME JOB!

## CHCS WAM Training Classes

Mark your calendar for valuable data processing training, courtesy of the Defense Health Information Management System (DHIMS) Office. DHIMS will offer CHCS DWAM Yearly & Monthly Initialization instructions to support your routine work tasks.

The online class will be offered at various times to accommodate personnel in all regions and time zones. Whether you are a MEPRS newbie or a seasoned MEPRS professional, you won't want to miss this important learning opportunity. AMPO recommends, at least one person from each site attend one of the dates listed.

There are only two classes remaining this FY.  
September 5, 1300 Eastern  
September 12, 1500 Eastern

Log onto MHS:

[https://mhslearn.csd.disa.mil/illearn/en/learner/mhs/portal/mhsstaff\\_login.jsp](https://mhslearn.csd.disa.mil/illearn/en/learner/mhs/portal/mhsstaff_login.jsp)

Once logged in, select the Catalog tab. Type "CHCS WAM" in the Search For Box. Click search, enter CHCS WAM. Click "CHCS WAM: Yearly WAM Initialization" Scroll down to Enrollment Options. Click "Enroll: on the date you wish to attend the online training.

Download the schedule. Additional information is provided under description. You will receive a confirmation email once you have enrolled. Add the date to your calendar and don't forget to attend the training.

If you have trouble signing up for the course, you can listen in at the following number. Please try signing up first. 877-922-0788 Code: 9492974#

## Immunizations

Where to code immunizations? This question arises every year about this time so we are republishing for your awareness.

Man-hour and workload reporting for administration of immunizations should be reported in the appropriate "B" MEPRS/FCC code of the credentialed provider who has oversight of the immunizations.

When administering immunizations at gyms, commissaries, PX, units, etc, the immunizations are also reported in the appropriate "B" MEPRS/FCC code of the credentialed provider who has oversight of the immunizations.

## Coming in FY13

AMPO is developing a Business Suite that will assist MEPRS Personnel with their monthly processing. This Business Suite will assist with timecard compliance, 6010 and Appendix 3 references, EAS Processing and DMHRSI Data check tool. Starting FY13 all DQ Summary Reports will be available in the Army Corporate Document Folder within the EASIV Repository.



Question: Why is it important that we have all of the different templates (MAPS template, Public Health template, and Nursing template)? Who or what agency is expecting the employees to drill down into the weeds on their timecards?

Answer: The data from all of the templates implemented by AMPO is pulled monthly and used as follows.

MAPS templates: The Directorate of Information Management and Office of the (Army) Surgeon General (DASG-IMD) Defense Health Headquarters uses the MAPS template data to validate the sites requirements/authorizations on the TDA for MAPS personnel. The results will either validate that they have the right amount of employees performing the right tasks or that they need more or less personnel. They are hoping it will result in more requirements for the sites. Also, the Regional MAPS personnel use the same template in a regional project to capture their data.

Public Health and Nursing templates: The Public Health Subject Matter Experts (SME's), and MEDCOM's Nursing SME's use the data gathered from their templates to populate their dashboards looking for discrepancies in their data and validate specific performance metrics.



# Hail & Farewells

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

## Hail

Employee		Date
Debra Minton	MAMC	12 Aug 12
Isabel P. Powell	Ft Carson	13 Aug 12

## Farewell

Employee		Date