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NARR/REF A IS OPNAVINST 3500.41, PANDEMIC INFLUENZA POLICY. REF B IS  
BUMEDINST 6230.15A, TRI-SERVICE IMMUNIZATION AND CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS  
INSTRUCTION. REF C IS OPNAVINST 3440.17, NAVY INSTALLATION EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM. REF D IS CNICINST 3440.17, NAVY INSTALLATION  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM MANUAL. REF E IS ASSSISTANT SECRETARY  
OF DEFENSE FOR HEALTH AFFAIRS MEMO, MANDATING DOD CIVILIAN HEALTHCARE  
WORKER INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATIONS. REF F IS 32 CFR PART 199.21, CIVILIAN  
HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS)/  
TRICARE: INCLUSION OF RETAIL NETWORK PHARMACIES AS AUTHORIZED TRICARE  
PROVIDERS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF TRICARE COVERED VACCINES.//

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RMKS/1. INFLUENZA OR "FLU" HAS THE POTENTIAL TO ADVERSELY IMPACT NAVY  
FORCE READINESS AND MISSION EXECUTION. INFLUENZA RESULTS IN OVER  
25 MILLION REPORTED CASES, 150,000 HOSPITALIZATIONS FOR SERIOUS  
COMPLICATIONS AND APPROXIMATELY 24,000 DEATHS EACH YEAR IN THE UNITED  
STATES.

2. THE FOLLOWING INFLUENZA VACCINATION AND REPORTING POLICY IS

PROMULGATED:

A. INFLUENZA PREVENTION. VACCINATION IS THE PRIMARY METHOD TO REDUCE RISK OF INFLUENZA BY ENHANCING FORCE IMMUNITY. MAINTAINING A CLEAN WORK ENVIRONMENT, GOOD HYGIENE PRACTICES, AND MANAGING WORKFORCE EXPOSURE (E.G., SOCIAL DISTANCING, TELE-WORKING, SICK LEAVE, ETC.) ARE EFFECTIVE METHODS TO REDUCE THE RISK OF SPREADING INFLUENZA.

B. INFLUENZA VACCINE. THE SEASONAL TRIVALENT INFLUENZA VACCINE  
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CONTAINS COMPONENTS OF THREE INFLUENZA VIRUSES BASED ON AN ESTIMATE OF THE MOST PREVALENT STRAINS FOR THE UPCOMING SEASON. THE TRIVALENT INFLUENZA VACCINE PREPARED FOR THE 2012-2013 SEASON INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STRAINS: INFLUENZA A/CALIFORNIA/7/2009 H1N1-LIKE VIRUS, INFLUENZA A/VICTORIA/361/2011 H3N2-LIKE VIRUS, AND INFLUENZA B/1/2010-LIKE VIRUS. THE ARMED FORCES HEALTH SURVEILLANCE CENTER WILL CLOSELY MONITOR THE EMERGENCE OF POTENTIAL NEW VIRUS STRAINS.

C. INFLUENZA VACCINE PRIORITY. DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NAVY SHIPS ARE PART OF VACCINE PRIORITY ONE FOR THE 2012 AND 2013 INFLUENZA SEASON.

D. INFLUENZA VACCINE REQUISITIONS. THE NAVY ON-LINE VACCINE INFORMATION AND LOGISTICS SYSTEM (VIALS) IS THE REQUISITION SYSTEM TOOL FOR SEASONAL AND EMERGING INFLUENZA VACCINES. VIALS IS USED TO INDIVIDUALLY TRACK REQUISITIONED VACCINES VIA MILSTRIP AND SIMPLIFIES VACCINE REQUISITIONS ENABLING ELECTRONIC TRACKING OF VACCINE ORDERS FROM REQUISITION TO RECEIPT. THE VIALS WEB SITE IS COMMON ACCESS CARD ENABLED. PLEASE VISIT:

[HTTPS://GOV ONLY.NMLC.MED.NAVY.MIL/INT CODE03/VIALS/](https://gov_only.nmlc.med.navy.mil/int_code03/vials/).

E. INFLUENZA VACCINE ORDERING. NAVY INFLUENZA VACCINE IS BATCH-  
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ORDERED BY NAVAL MEDICAL LOGISTICS COMMAND (NAVMEDLOGCOM) FROM THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY (DLA) USING COMMAND REQUIREMENTS IN NAVY VIALS. NAVY INFLUENZA VACCINE IS CENTRALLY FUNDED VICE INDIVIDUAL NAVY COMMAND FUNDED.

F. INFLUENZA VACCINE EXERCISE.

(1) THE 2010 AND 2011 FLU SEASON USED CITADEL SHOTEX SERIES TO EXERCISE AND EVALUATE MASS VACCINATION SCENARIOS DURING A PANDEMIC EVENT. THESE COORDINATED MASS VACCINATION CAMPAIGNS PROVIDED RAPID AND EFFICIENT VACCINATIONS TO PROTECT THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SUSCEPTIBLE PERSONS. BASED ON LESSONS LEARNED, PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO DELIVERY AND REPORTING PROCEDURES.

(2) NAVY REGION HAWAII WILL PARTICIPATE IN AN INTEGRATED, MULTI-SERVICE INFLUENZA MASS VACCINATION EXERCISE. THE EXERCISE GOAL IS TO VACCINATE 70 PERCENT, WITHIN THREE DAYS, OF THOSE REQUIRED TO RECEIVE MANDATORY INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATIONS. COMMANDER NAVAL INSTALLATIONS COMMAND (CNIC) AND NAVY BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY (BUMED) WILL PROVIDE FURTHER GUIDANCE SEPCOR.

(3) ALL UNITS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH NAVY REGION HAWAII VACCINATION EXERCISE WILL PROCEED IN ACCORDINACE WITH SEASONAL FLU VACCINATION  
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GUIDELINES AS SET FORTH IN SECTION I PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS NAVADMIN.

G. INFLUENZA VACCINATION COMPLIANCE.

(1) NAVY MILITARY PERSONNEL. THE SEASONAL INFLUENZA VACCINATION IS MANDATORY FOR ALL DOD UNIFORMED PERSONNEL WHO ARE NOT MEDICALLY OR

ADMINISTRATIVELY EXEMPT PER REFS A AND B. ANY REFUSAL TO RECEIVE THE INFLUENZA VACCINE WILL CONSTITUTE A FAILURE TO OBEY A LAWFUL ORDER AND MAY BE PUNISHABLE UNDER THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE (UCMJ) AND/OR RESULT IN ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION. PRIOR TO RECEIVING THE INFLUENZA VACCINE, NAVY ACTIVE / RESERVE COMPONENT PERSONNEL SHALL HAVE ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO DISCUSS OBJECTIONS OR CONCERNS WITH INFLUENZA VACCINATION. COMMANDS SHOULD CONSULT WITH THE SERVICING STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE FOR ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE ON INFLUENZA VACCINATION NON-COMPLIANCE.

(2) NAVY CIVILIAN PERSONNEL. MANDATORY INFLUENZA VACCINATION IS A CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL CIVILIAN HEALTH CARE WORKERS PROVIDING DIRECT PATIENT CARE IN DOD MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES PER REF E. INFLUENZA VACCINATION IS MANDATORY FOR ALL CIVILIANS WHERE IT IS WRITTEN IN THEIR POSITION DESCRIPTION AS A CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT. OTHER NAVY CIVILIAN PERSONNEL ARE HIGHLY ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED TO RECEIVE INFLUENZA VACCINATIONS.

(3) ANY TRICARE BENEFICIARY (DEPENDENTS). REF F AUTHORIZES RETAIL NETWORK PHARMACIES TO ADMINISTER THE SEASONAL INFLUENZA VACCINE. TRICARE BENEFICIARIES MAY RECEIVE INFLUENZA VACCINATION WITH NO COPAY AT A RETAIL NETWORK PHARMACY OFFERING VACCINES. BENEFICIARIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THE PHARMACY REGARDING AGE RESTRICTIONS AS SOME PHARMACIES DO NOT ADMINISTER THE FLU VACCINE TO INDIVIDUALS LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE.

H. INFLUENZA VACCINATION REPORTING. ACTIVE AND RESERVE COMPONENT NAVY FORCE VACCINATION ADMINISTRATION COMPLIANCE WILL BE MONITORED VIA THE MEDICAL READINESS REPORTING SYSTEM (MRRS). DESIGNATED COMMAND PERSONNEL WILL ACCESS MRRS TO TRACK THEIR PERSONNEL TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE IS MET.

(1) COMMANDS WILL REQUEST UIC BASED ACCESS TO MRRS BY SUBMITTING A SYSTEM ACCESS AUTHORIZATION FORM AVAILABLE AT [HTTPS://MRRS.SSCNO.NMCI.NAVY.MIL/MRRS/](https://mrrs.sscno.nmci.navy.mil/mrrs/) (NOTE: MRRS WEB ADDRESS IS CASE SENSITIVE). POC/MRRS PROGRAM OFFICE/EMAIL: MRRSPO(AT)NAVY.MIL COMM:(703)695-3418 DSN: 225

(2) ALL PERSONNEL WHO RECEIVE THE VACCINATION FROM A RETAIL NETWORK PHARMACY MUST PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF VACCINATION TO THE COMMAND NO LATER THAN THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE IS APPROPRIATELY RECORDED IN MRRS.

I. NAVY GOALS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.

(1) ALL NAVY OPERATIONAL UNITS AND MILITARY TREATMENT FACILITIES WILL ADMINISTER THE 2012 FLU VACCINATION WITH URGENCY TO MEET CNO GOALS - 90 PERCENT VACCINATED BY 17 DEC 2012 FOR ACTIVE AND RESERVE COMPONENT, AND 100 PERCENT VACCINE ACCESS FOR TOTAL NAVY FAMILY (INCLUDES DEPENDENTS, OTHER BENEFICIARIES AND DON CIVILIANS). ACTIVE COORDINATION BETWEEN COMMAND LEADERSHIP, PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICERS, AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL IS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE VACCINE CAMPAIGN SUCCESS.

(2) INFLUENZA VACCINATION PERFORMANCE STANDARDS. THE FOLLOWING METRICS

WILL BE MONITORED:

- NAVY VIALS REPORTS 100% OF FLEET DOSES SHIPPED BY 30 SEP 2012.
- NAVY VIALS REPORTS 70% VACCINE DOSES SHIPPED TO NAVY UNITS BY 30 SEP 2012.

- NAVY VIALS REPORTS 70% VACCINE RECEIVED BY NAVY UNITS BY 01 NOV 2012.
- MRRS REPORTS 70% OF ACTIVE AND RESERVE COMPONENT VACCINATED BY 15 NOV 2012.
- NAVY VIALS REPORTS 100% VACCINE RECEIVED BY NAVY UNITS BY 01 DEC 2012.
- MRRS REPORTS 90% OF ACTIVE AND RESERVE COMPONENT VACCINATED BY 17 DEC 2012.

(3) ALL UNITS HAVE 72 HOURS (THREE WORKING DAYS) TO DOCUMENT, ADMINISTER, AND REPORT VACCINATION FROM TIME OF ADEQUATE VACCINE RECEIPT. NAVY RESERVE COMPONENT UNITS HAVE ONE DRILL WEEKEND TO DOCUMENT, ADMINISTER, AND REPORT VACCINATION FROM TIME OF VACCINE RECEIPT. THE CLOCK BEGINS WHEN THE VACCINE IS APPROVED FOR ADMINISTRATION. UNIT SITREPS ARE REQUIRED IF VACCINE SHIPMENTS ARE DELAYED. IF SHIPMENTS ARRIVE WITH TEMPERATURE SENSORS IN AN ALARMED STATUS SUSPEND VACCINE (PER COLD CHAIN PROTOCOL) IN YOUR REEFER. RETURN THE SENSOR ALONG WITH THE APPROPRIATE PAPERWORK TO THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY (DLA) FOR DETERMINATION OF APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL TO USE THE VACCINE. COMMANDS WILL COORDINATE WITH THE SERVICING MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES TO ALIGN COMMAND-WIDE VACCINATIONS WITH VACCINE ARRIVAL. MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT SERVICING MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES WILL EXPEDITIOUSLY REPORT VACCINATIONS IN MRRS.CNIC AND BUMED WILL COORDINATE AND PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON THE SHOTEX OBJECTIVES AND EXECUTION.

3. RELEASED BY VICE ADMIRAL R. W. HUNT, DIRECTOR, NAVY STAFF//

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