



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
**HEADQUARTERS, U. S. ARMY MEDICAL COMMAND**  
**2748 WORTH ROAD**  
**FORT SAM HOUSTON, TX 78234-6000**

**OTSG/MEDCOM Policy Memo 11-077**

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**MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MEDCOM REGIONAL MEDICAL COMMANDS**

**SUBJECT: Women's Deployment Health Screening Requirements**

**1. References:**

- a. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Practice Bulletin, Number 109, Cervical Cytology Screening, Obstetrics and Gynecology, 2009 Dec; 114 (6): 1409-1420.
- b. AR 40-501, Standards of Medical Fitness RAR, 23 Aug 10.

**2. Purpose:**

- a. To communicate the elimination of specific deployment health screening requirements for women service members.
- b. To communicate the elimination of MEDPROS Women's Readiness Module (WRM).
- c. To emphasize the continued importance of delivery of evidence-based women's preventive health services despite elimination of the requirement for women's deployment health screening.

**3. Proponent:** The proponent for this policy is the Assistant Chief of Staff for Health Policy and Services, Medical Readiness and Standards.

**4. Responsibilities:** The Regional Medical Commands are responsible for the execution of this policy.

**\*This policy supersedes OTSG/MEDCOM Policy Memo 09-002, 14 Jan 09, subject: Revised Guidance: Women's Readiness Guidelines.**

**This policy also supersedes the pre-deployment screening guidance in OTSG/MEDCOM Policy 11-054, 24 Jun 11, subject: Women's Readiness.**

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5. Policy:

a. Women-specific preventive health screening tests (e.g., Cervical cancer screening, Chlamydia testing and, Mammogram screening, etc.) are no longer requisites for deployment readiness.

b. Use of the MEDPROS WRM.

(1) Use of the MEDPROS WRM as a component of the deployment readiness assessment is to terminate immediately.

(2) The MEDPROS WRM will not be an available field in MEDPROS effective 15 Jan 12.

6. These new guidelines do not change present Unit Status Report reporting criteria.

7. This policy does not change our commitment to the delivery of evidence-based preventive health services to female Soldiers. Healthcare providers must ensure that limitations are documented and communicated through eProfile. Routing screening PAP tests for women in a deployed environment may be deferred until redeployment when, in the judgment of the senior medical officer, deferment would not adversely affect the health of the Soldier.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

  
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