

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES**

PERSONNEL POLICY MEMORANDUM



**EFFECTIVE DATE: PPM 08-020
28 August 2008**

By Order of the Assistant Secretary for Health:

ADM Joxel Garcia, USPHS

TO: All Regular and Reserve Corps Officers on Extended Active Duty

SUBJECT: Phase Out of Uniforms

1. In concurrence with the decision memorandum signed by the Assistant Secretary of Health on 5 July 2007, to align the uniform regulations of the Commissioned Corps of the U.S. Public Health Service (Corps) to that of the U.S. Navy, a phase out of some current Corps uniforms is necessary. Effective 1 August 2009, the following uniforms and accessory items will be stricken as authorized uniforms and prescribable items worn by Corps officers:
 - a. Winter Blues, to include Winter Working Blues
 - b. Poly/cotton Working Khakis, to include Long Sleeve Working Khaki
 - c. Indoor Duty Whites
 - d. Tropical Uniforms and prescribable items
 - (1) Helmet (khaki and white)
 - (2) Trousers, khaki and white, short (hemmed two inches above the knee, two back pockets and two side pockets)
 - (3) Tropical Dinner Dress Blue
 - e. Formal Dress Uniform
 - (1) Wing Collar Shirt, Formal White (Male)
 - (2) Tailcoat, Formal Blue (Male)
 - (3) Waistcoat (Male)
 - (4) Necktie, Bow, White (Male)
 - (5) Mother of pearl studs and cufflinks (Male and Female)

- (6) Tiara (Female)
 - f. Service Blue (aka Salt and Pepper)
 - g. Garrison Cap, black with gold piping
- 2. All other uniforms not being phased out by this PPM will remain authorized as currently written within their respective policies.
- 3. This PPM remains in effect until rescinded.

/s/
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