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Surgeon General's Column

"If it falls your lot in life to touch the lives of others, be sure you touch them in such a way that you leave them better than you found them."

—Dr. Benjamin Elijah Mays
Former President of Morehouse College

What can be more exciting than the converging of the world's foremost public health leaders and professionals in one city? Not much.

I recently returned from Geneva, Switzerland, where for 3 days I led the American delegation to the 52nd World Health Assembly (WHA). We witnessed several interesting developments, many of which related directly to our global health priority.

Moving aggressively with a new vision, Director General Gro Bruntland has reorganized the World Health Organization (WHO) around two priorities: communicable and noncommunicable diseases.

Communicable Diseases

The Roll Back Malaria Initiative

Under communicable diseases, the top agenda item is malaria control. One million people die of malaria each year. WHO has set in place the Roll Back Malaria initiative, which is designed to cut that number in half by 2010. In Africa alone, particularly sub-Saharan Africa, malaria accounts for one in four of all childhood deaths, both directly and indirectly in conjunction with other causes of ill health, such as respiratory infections, diarrheal disease, and malnutrition.

With an investment of \$1 billion in additional spending to strengthen health systems, we could meet our goal of halving

ing malaria-related deaths throughout the world. Beyond that, inasmuch as we are able to build an infrastructure to combat malaria, it is our hope that the groundwork will be set for fighting other diseases that disproportionately affect the poor, including tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS. This improved health infrastructure will not only help us to alleviate pain and suffering, it will also allow us to create opportunities for hope—the kind of hope that translates into increased socioeconomic status and opportunities for the world's poorest.

The WHA unanimously endorsed Roll Back Malaria and commended "the key features of the new approach, namely, increased focus on the needs of people at risk, better response to those needs with evidence-based action, greater use of existing tools, their full integration into the health sector as a horizontal program, and innovative public-private partnerships to develop cost-effective products and tools in view of the emergence of drug and insecticide resistance."

Polio Eradication

Secretary Shalala and I led a call on the WHO to finish fighting the war on polio. Globally, the number of cases has decreased 85 percent in 10 years from 35,000 in 1988 to 5,673 in 1998. While polio has been eradicated from most countries, it still exists in Africa, the Middle East, and South Asia. Both endemic and donor countries agreed that polio could and would be eradicated by the year 2000, but it will not be easy. Not only is it going to take about \$500 million in additional funding to finish the job, it's also going to take a serious com-

mitment on everyone's part. There's no denying that these final stages of the war will be the hardest, but the reward will also be tremendous—that \$500 million investment today could save \$1.5 billion per year in the future.

I am pleased to report that the WHA passed a resolution requesting the establishment of "an emergency fund to meet the needs of countries affected by conflict, countries classified as major wild polio virus reservoirs, and other countries in particularly difficult circumstances" and "support the peace-building process by facilitating cease-fires for national immunization days in countries affected by conflict."

Smallpox

WHO declared that smallpox was officially eradicated in 1980. In 1996, the WHA agreed to the destruction of the two known existing stocks of the virus at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Russian State Center for Research on Virology and Biotechnology by June 30, 1999. Destruction of the existing stocks was subject to confirmation at the WHA in 1999. Since 1996, there has been increasing interest in re-

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taining the stocks for research purposes. The WHA agreed by consensus to the "temporary retention, up to but not later than 2002, of the existing stocks of variola virus . . . for the purpose of further international research into antiviral agents and improved vaccines, and to permit high-priority investigations of the genetic structure and pathogenesis of smallpox . . . [although] the final elimination of all variola virus remains the goal." At that time, WHO will appoint a new group of experts to make a recommendation to the WHA by 2002.

Noncommunicable Diseases

Another challenge we face relates to emerging epidemics of noncommunicable diseases, such as mental illness, cancer and cardiovascular diseases, injuries and alcohol—all of which are becoming more prevalent in developing and developed countries.

Noncommunicable diseases are likely to account for increasing amounts of the disease burden in the near future. In 1990, noncommunicable diseases represented about 55 percent of the diseases burden; however, by 2020, the burden is expected to rise to as much as 73 percent.

Tobacco Control

A major culprit affecting the noncommunicable diseases rate is tobacco. In 1998, tobacco killed 4 million people. If the current trends continue without intervention, tobacco will kill 10 million people a year by 2030—more than 70 percent of them in developing countries where information is often the weakest.

WHO took two giant steps to fight tobacco worldwide. First, the Tobacco Free Initiative (TFI) emerged to focus global attention, efforts, and resources on international tobacco control. This initiative could avert millions of premature deaths in the future. It calls for a worldwide ban on tobacco advertising and promotion, for regular and sustained tax increases on cigarettes, for wider access to cessation measures, and for the establishment of tobacco control coalitions. Also, the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) is the first time in WHO's 50-year history that it has exercised its mandate to negotiate a convention. The FCTC will be the first global tobacco control treaty. A working group soon will begin the work to prepare for negotiations to complete and ready the convention for ratification by 2003.

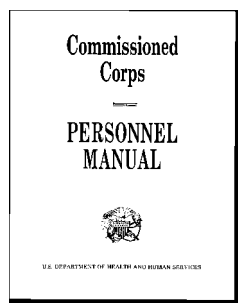
During the meeting, I proposed, in the spirit of the TFI and the FCTC, that we make future Assemblies smoke-free. How can we purport to think globally about tobacco control without first acting locally on such an important issue? It will be interesting to see what happens at the 53rd Assembly.

Global tobacco control is the featured topic in the next edition of my Surgeon General's Column in *JAMA* (the Journal of the American Medical Association) which should be appearing in the next few weeks. I hope that you will watch for it.

I am pleased that we have already committed ourselves to taking a global approach to public health, just as our global health priority points out. But we must be ever more vigilant. In tracking health patterns in the past, it's interesting to note how consistently our health problems today are indicative of the world's health problems tomorrow. We owe it to ourselves and to others to do our part now to make a better tomorrow for everyone.

ADM David Satcher
Assistant Secretary for Health
and Surgeon General

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Commissioned Corps Personnel Manual INSTRUCTIONS

The following INSTRUCTIONS have been distributed recently. If you wish to see an issuance, please contact your administrative office or access the Commissioned Corps Personnel Manual (CCPM) at the DCP web site <<http://dcp.psc.gov>>

T.S. 638 dated March 24, 1999 –

INSTRUCTION 5, Subchapter CC29.1, "Absence Without Leave (AWOL)." This INSTRUCTION prescribes the policies and procedures regarding AWOL for Public Health Service Commissioned Corps officers. INSTRUCTION 8, Subchapter CC23.8, "Employment of Retired Officers" was removed.

T.S. 639 dated May 26, 1999 –

INSTRUCTION 7, Subchapter CC23.3, "Regular Corps Assimilation Program." This INSTRUCTION was amended to reflect that reserve corps officers must successfully complete 2 years (rather than 4 years) of continuous active duty before applying for assimilation into the regular corps. Officers must complete the probationary period (3 years of continuous active duty) before they can be eli-

gible to be reviewed by an assimilation board.

T.S. 640 dated May 26, 1999 –

INSTRUCTION 4, Subchapter CC25.2, "Junior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program (JRCOSTEP)." This INSTRUCTION was revised to include the following: (1) more health-related professions were added; (2) citizenship, age, and years of active Federal military service requirements were added; (3) Operating Divisions/Programs cannot authorize appointments and issue travel orders or personnel orders without the Division of Commissioned Personnel's approval first; and (4) officers are to be informed that their family members are entitled to limited health care benefits.

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Physicians Professional Advisory Committee's 1999 Physician Award Recipients



Physicians of the Year Award Recipients—(pictured left to right) CAPT Richard Caldwell, CAPT David Eppheimer (Ret.), CAPT Charles North, and CAPT Mark Hallett

Four Public Health Service (PHS) Commissioned Corps physicians were honored by the Physicians Professional Advisory Committee (PPAC) at the Commissioned Officers Association's Annual Public Health Professional Conference on June 8th in Alexandria, Virginia. The awards were presented by RADM Kenneth Moritsugu, Deputy Surgeon General; RADM Joyce Johnson, Chief Medical Officer; CAPT Robert Dawson, PPAC Chair; and CAPT Steven Fox, Immediate Past PPAC Chair.

Clinical Physician of the Year

CAPT Richard T. Caldwell was chosen for the Clinical Physician of the Year award for exemplifying compassion, dedication, and leadership during more than 16 years of service. CAPT Caldwell is currently with the Indian Health Service (IHS) and serves as the Director of the Emergency Medicine Department of the Acoma Canoncito Laguna Hospital in San Fidel, New Mexico. He received his medical degree in 1979 and completed a family practice residency. He completed an Aerospace Primary Course at Brooks Air Force Base in 1994 and was the Senior Coast Guard Alaskan Flight Surgeon in Kodiak, Alaska, from 1994 to 1997. During CAPT Caldwell's career, he served in eight locations in five States, including such isolated duty sites as the Havasupai Reservation in the Grand Canyon and the White Mountain Apache Reservation in Arizona. CAPT Caldwell was selected for this award based on his

distinguished and diverse career with IHS and with the U.S. Coast Guard.

CAPT David P. Eppheimer (Ret.) also received the Clinical Physician of the Year award in recognition of his career at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center (PIMC) practicing primary care internal medicine, geriatrics, and addiction medicine – and serving the medical center as Associate Director for Ambulatory Care and Community Health. CAPT Eppheimer received his medical degree in 1974. After an internship, he served 2 years at PIMC as a General Medical Officer before completing an internal medicine residency in 1979. CAPT Eppheimer then returned to PIMC, where he worked in a succession of clinical practice and management positions until 1998.

Physician Researcher of the Year

CAPT Mark Hallett was selected for the Physician Researcher of the Year award for his important contributions to the understanding of the plasticity of the human motor system and its role in motor learning, the process of recovery from stroke, and the pathophysiology of dystonia. CAPT Hallett is the Clinical Director and the Director of the Clinical Neurosciences Program in the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland. He received his medical degree in 1969. After a medical internship, he began his PHS career as a Staff Associate at the

National Institute of Mental Health. He completed a neurology residency in 1974 and a clinical fellowship in neurology in 1975. CAPT Hallett directed a neurophysiology laboratory from 1976 to 1984, and then returned to NIH. His place in the neurology community as one of the leaders in research has been recognized by his election to the presidency of the American Association of Electrodiagnostic Medicine, the presidency of the Movement Disorder Society, and the Executive Board of the American Academy of Neurology.

Physician Executive of the Year

CAPT Charles Q. North received the Physician Executive of the Year award for embodying the best qualities of physician and executive while compromising neither. CAPT North is the Clinical Director of the Albuquerque Indian Hospital, a role he has had for 15 years. In addition, CAPT North has been the Senior Clinician for Family Practice for the entire Indian Health Service (IHS) for the past 16 years. CAPT North received his medical degree and completed a family practice residency in 1977. He is a valuable management consultant for IHS and has been the Chair of IHS' National Council of Clinical Directors.

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Promotion Year 1999 Temporary Grade Promotions Announced

The Division of Commissioned Personnel (DCP) completed the annual temporary grade promotion process for Promotion Year (PY) 1999 with the issuance of 695 temporary promotions to grades O-4 through O-6. These promotions were effective July 1, 1999, or on the officer's date of eligibility, dependent upon his or her training and experience date.

All of the competitive promotions for PY 1999 have been released. Exceptional capability promotions were effective July 1, 1999, and are in addition to those made through the regular promotion process. DCP plans to release the permanent promotions in August.

The success rate for the O-4, O-5, and O-6 grades, exclusive of the medical temporary O-4 grade, were distributed as equally as possible across all categories.

Letters notifying officers of their eligibility for consideration for temporary and/or permanent promotion in PY 2000 (July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000) will be mailed in September.

Congratulations to the officers listed below.

<i>Category</i>	<i>Effective</i>
<i>Grade Promoted to:</i>	<i>Date:</i>

MEDICAL

To Temporary Captain (O-6)

Gregory A. Abbott	07-01-99
Ann Alexander	07-01-99
David R. Arday	07-01-99
Paul D. Avritt	07-01-99
Ellen K. Blair	01-01-00
Charles R. Bridges	07-01-99
Michelle A. Broadnax	07-01-99
Arturo H. Castro	07-01-99
Robert F. Chesbro, Jr.	07-01-99
Herbert N. Collins, Jr.	07-01-99
Edgar R. Cordivin	07-01-99
Theresa A. Cullen	07-01-99
Mark E. Delowery	01-01-00
Laura J. Fehrs	07-01-99
Michael J. Frederiksen	07-01-99
Steven K. Galsion	07-01-99
Marc A. Getka	07-01-99
Mary M. Glass	07-01-99
Thomas R. Hales	07-01-99
Terence H. Hamel	07-01-99
Douglas H. Hamilton	07-01-99
Douglas L. Hatch	07-01-99
William J. Kassler	07-01-99
Jane M. Kelly	07-01-99
Elise C. Kohn	07-01-99
Philip R. Krause	07-01-99
Howard S. Kruth	07-01-99
Sandra L. Kweder	10-01-99
David C. Lanier	01-01-00

<i>Category</i>	<i>Effective</i>
<i>Grade Promoted to:</i>	<i>Date:</i>

Carolyn V. Lee	07-01-99
Stewart J. Levine	07-01-99
Illuminada M. Lim	07-01-99
Frank J. Mahoney	07-01-99
Kathleen B. Masis	07-01-99
Elaine Miller	07-01-99
Kirk D. Miller	07-01-99
Peter O. Mjos	07-01-99
Paul R. Moller	07-01-99
Kelly R. Moore	07-01-99
Michael A. Norcross	07-01-99
Patricia S. Nye	07-01-99
Patrick W. O'Carroll	07-01-99
James S. Panagis	07-01-99
Michele L. Pearson	01-01-00
Stephen P. Pickard	07-01-99
Roger D. Prock	07-01-99
Robert E. Quick III	07-01-99
James F. Raelson	07-01-99
Stephen C. Redd	07-01-99
Stephen J. Rith-Najarian	07-01-99
Mark H. Schiffman	07-01-99
Benjamin Schwartz	07-01-99
Nathan Shaffer	07-01-99
Peter G. Shields	07-01-99
Daniel M. Sosin	07-01-99
Jack A. Taylor	07-01-99
Judith Thierry	07-01-99
Charles R. Vergona	07-01-99
Theresa R. Watkins	07-01-99
S. Patrick Weber	07-01-99
Michael W. Wiemers	07-01-99
Patricia A. Woodall	07-01-99
Kevin S. Yeskey	07-01-99

To Temporary Commander (O-5)

Robert F. Branche	07-01-99
Joseph S. Bresee	07-01-99
Thomas J. Burke	07-01-99
Victor M. Caceres	07-01-99
Paul P. Carnes	07-01-99
Michael A. Carome	07-01-99
Terri L. Cornelison	07-01-99
Kirk M. Druey	07-01-99
Michael C. Engel	07-01-99
David K. Espey	07-01-99
Kimberley K. Fox	07-01-99
Scott K. Fridkin	07-01-99
Cindy R. Friedman	07-01-99
Graciela M. Gonzalez	07-01-99
John M. Gray	07-01-99
Benjamin D. Greenberg	07-01-99
Brockton J. Hefflin	07-01-99
Laurie L. Herscher	07-01-99
Patrick K. Hitchcock	07-01-99
Daniel B. Jernigan	07-01-99
Stephen P. Kachur	07-01-99
Thomas A. Kenyon	07-01-99
Peter H. Kilmarx	07-01-99
Ellen F. Lazarus	07-01-99
Shirley J. Lee	07-01-99
Tanya J. Lehyk	07-01-99
Julie A. Lekstrom	07-01-99
Aryeh L. Levenson	07-01-99

<i>Effective</i>	<i>Category</i>
<i>Date:</i>	<i>Grade Promoted to:</i>

Steven K. Libutti	07-01-99
Eric A. Mann	07-01-99
Venkata S. Mattay	07-01-99
Gregg McNeil	07-01-99
Mark A. Miller	07-01-99
Ben Muneta	07-01-99
Pedro O. Nazario	07-01-99
Ervant V. Nishanian	07-01-99
Richard A. Odegaard	07-01-99
Ana M. Osorio	07-01-99
Elena H. Page	07-01-99
Katherine C. Palatianos	07-01-99
Howard L. Parnes	07-01-99
Lynn A. Paxton	07-01-99
Brent Pennington	07-01-99
Luzviminda K. Peredo-Berger	07-01-99
Caroline C. Philpott	07-01-99
Calman P. Prussin	07-01-99
Rafel D. Rieves	07-01-99
Maria C. Rios	07-01-99
Marc A. Safran	07-01-99
Jose A. Sanchez	07-01-99
Ezequias D. Sanchez-Olmo	07-01-99
John S. Santelli	07-01-99
Julia A. Schillinger	07-01-99
Eileen E. Schneider	07-01-99
Ellen S. Schreiber	07-01-99
Abigail M. Shefer	07-01-99
Mary E. Smith	07-01-99
Paul H. Stevens	01-01-00
Susan A. Stuart	07-01-99
Robert C. Thomas	07-01-99
John F. Tisdale	07-01-99
Richard M. Tresley	07-01-99
Henry J. Vandyk	07-01-99
John L. Wetherby III	07-01-99
Cynthia G. Whitney	07-01-99

DENTAL

To Temporary Captain (O-6)

Randy G. Alkire	07-01-99
John S. Betz	07-01-99
Patrick Blahut	04-01-00
Samuel L. Bundrant	07-01-99
James L. Carpenter	07-01-99
Rosemary E. Duffy	07-01-99
Charles W. Grim	07-01-99
Kevin S. Hardwick	07-01-99
Toby J. Imler	07-01-99
Geralyn S. Johnson	07-01-99
Gary J. Kaplowitz	07-01-99
Dean A. Malloy	07-01-99
Andrea G. Neal	07-01-99
Angel L. Rodriguez-Espada	07-01-99
Kevin T. Schlepp	07-01-99
Lee S. Shackelford	10-01-99
Larry D. Shapiro	01-01-00
James C. Singleton	10-01-99
Timothy W. Sizemore	07-01-99

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Grade Promoted to:		Grade Promoted to:		Grade Promoted to:	
DENTAL (Continued)		Newell A. Walther	10-01-99	Daniel W. Cline	07-01-99
<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6) (Continued)</i>		Stephen S. Williams	07-01-99	Candice L. Cotton	07-01-99
Juris M. Svarcbergs	07-01-99	NURSE		Karen M. Coyne	04-01-00
Richard B. Troyer	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>		Deborah L. Cuenca	07-01-99
Edmund L. Trujillo	07-01-99	Cynthia L. Akridge	07-01-99	Jeffrey L. Derry	07-01-99
Jeffery L. Vidrine	07-01-99	Lola M. Atkins	07-01-99	Marjorie E. Eddinger	07-01-99
<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>		Elizabeth A. Austin	07-01-99	Angel M. Frazier	07-01-99
Thomas B. Brewer	07-01-99	Harold J. Ballantyne	07-01-99	Verna Gaddy	07-01-99
Anita L. Bright	07-01-99	Kenneth B. Bartline	07-01-99	Belinda D. Garrett	07-01-99
Steven C. Brockett	07-01-99	Linda S. Brophy	04-01-00	Nona R. Gladbach	10-01-99
Brenda S. Burges	07-01-99	Luella M. Brown	07-01-99	Byron C. Glenn	10-01-99
April C. Butts	07-01-99	Irene R. Buskin	07-01-99	Alysse M. Gordon	07-01-99
Christopher L. Callahan	07-01-99	Michael W. Chaney	07-01-99	Michelle T. Hall	07-01-99
Jeffrey M. Carolla	07-01-99	Betty L. Chern-Hughes	07-01-99	Susan S. Hora	07-01-99
Jeffery R. Combs	07-01-99	Mary P. Couig	07-01-99	Debra A. Hurlburt	07-01-99
David A. Crain	07-01-99	Charles S. Culver	01-01-00	Jeanetta Impson	07-01-99
Richard L. Firnhaber	07-01-99	Holly C. Cunningham	07-01-99	Carolyn J. Jackson	10-01-99
Daniel C. Gioia	07-01-99	Leslie D. Dye	10-01-99	Wendy S. Janke	07-01-99
Michael F. Gmurek	07-01-99	Nancy L. Egbert	07-01-99	Philip Jarres	07-01-99
Joseph G. Hosek	07-01-99	Joseph P. Fink	07-01-99	Roldie C. Jones	07-01-99
Linda A. Jackson	07-01-99	Lonna J. Fullerton	04-01-00	David W. Kelly	07-01-99
Paul H. Johnson	10-01-99	Pamela R. Gallagher-Navarro	10-01-99	Annette F. Kolter	07-01-99
Michael L. Kincaid	07-01-99	Laverne M. Green	01-01-00	Carol L. Konchan	07-01-99
David R.L. Labadie	07-01-99	Rita R. Hassall	07-01-99	Stephen D. Lane	07-01-99
David L. Liebetreu	07-01-99	Donna G. Hutten	07-01-99	Roxie A. Leslie	07-01-99
Tania M. Macias	07-01-99	Christopher J. Jones	10-01-99	Nora E. Lutgen	07-01-99
Mark C. McDowell	07-01-99	Donna M. Kenison	07-01-99	Jodi A. Massie	07-01-99
Michael J. Mindiola	07-01-99	Roman L. Kupczynski	04-01-00	Richard A. Naumann	07-01-99
James T. Owen	07-01-99	Mary I. Lambert	07-01-99	Betty C. Omholt	07-01-99
Gary L. Pannabecker	07-01-99	Virginia D. Landrum	10-01-99	Colleen R. Permann	07-01-99
Hsiao P. Peng	07-01-99	Armando S. Ledesma	01-01-00	Lance L. Poirier	07-01-99
Pedro Perez, Jr.	07-01-99	David E. Martin	07-01-99	Jane F. Ruiz	07-01-99
Deborah Philo-Costello	07-01-99	Daniel J. McElroy	07-01-99	Robert H. Saddoris	07-01-99
James T. Podrebarac	07-01-99	Evelyn A. Miller	07-01-99	Barbara L. Schoen	01-01-00
Stacey L. Sanford	07-01-99	Kerry P. Nesseler	04-01-00	Sharon L. Shane	07-01-99
Suzanne K. Saville	07-01-99	Yechiam Ostchega	07-01-99	Maurice M. Sheehan	07-01-99
David J. Sievert	07-01-99	Steven R. Oversby	07-01-99	James E. Sorenson	07-01-99
Rickey S. Thompson	07-01-99	Gladys V. Perkins	07-01-99	Toni Joy Spadaro	07-01-99
John T. Zimmer	07-01-99	Dolores Perteet	07-01-99	Lawrence A. Stavish	07-01-99
<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>		Marva J. Randolph-Davalos	07-01-99	Tina Alice Tah	01-01-00
Ruben S. Acuna	04-01-00	Cliffonia J. Rolle	10-01-99	Linda M. Trujillo	07-01-99
Kathleen M. Anderson	10-01-99	Paul A. Sattler	07-01-99	Frances E. Wall	07-01-99
James G. Deluca	07-01-99	Annette C. Siemens	07-01-99	Bonnie K. Warner	07-01-99
Todd M. Evans	07-01-99	James T. Stackhouse	01-01-00	Amanda S. Waugaman	01-01-00
Darren L. Flowers	10-01-99	Diane E. Tinker	10-01-99	Daniel J. Weskamp	07-01-99
Sepideh M. Halliday	07-01-99	Ruth I. Torres	07-01-99	Vernon L. Wilkie	07-01-99
Shannon J. Kaiser	07-01-99	Minita Twins Runningwater	07-01-99	Gregory R. Youens	07-01-99
William E. Lacey, Jr.	07-01-99	Michael L. Vitch	04-01-00	Linda J. Zeller	07-01-99
Robert C. Lloyd, Jr.	07-01-99	Cynthia G. Wark	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>	
Peter C. McCutcheon	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>		Diane M. Aker	07-01-99
Alan C. Peterson	07-01-99	Yvonne L. Anthony	07-01-99	Lydia Alvarez	07-01-99
Raymond A. Riek	07-01-99	Brian P. Asay	07-01-99	Lisa A. Barnhart	07-01-99
Yoh Sawatari	07-01-99	Catherine B. Avery	01-01-00	Nancy F. Bartolini	07-01-99
Mark A. Scheper	07-01-99	William J. Bethune, Jr.	07-01-99	Karen E. Bikowicz	07-01-99
Robin G. Scheper	07-01-99	Rosemary J. Bolza	07-01-99	Regina D. Bradley	10-01-99
Maria-Paz U. Smith	07-01-99	Laurie L. Booker	07-01-99	Sally E. Brown	07-01-99
Curtis D. Spann	07-01-99	Lindsey F. Bramwell	07-01-99	Kristen L. Cady	07-01-99
David A. Straube	07-01-99	Timothy B. Burnett	07-01-99		
Paul E. Subar	07-01-99	Lindsey D. Caudle	07-01-99		
Aurelia M. Thomas	04-01-00	Edith L. Clark	07-01-99		
Vanessa F. Thomas	04-01-00	Reginald J. Claypool	07-01-99		

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NURSE (Continued)					
<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>				<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>	
<i>(Continued)</i>					
Deborah M. Carter	07-01-99	Mark F. Greskevitch	07-01-99	Boris R. Aponte	07-01-99
Bruce K. Cox	07-01-99	William R. Griffith	07-01-99	Janet M. Blair	10-01-99
Lisa A. Denzer	07-01-99	Michael S. Jensen	10-01-99	Kieran J. Fogarty	04-01-00
Frank H. Dyer, Jr.	07-01-99	Ronald D. Klem	07-01-99	Minnis T. Hendricks, Jr.	07-01-99
Robert T. Edwards	07-01-99	Edward M. Lohr	07-01-99	Kathleen Y. McDuffie	01-01-00
Thomas B. Ellis	07-01-99	Gregory R. Lucier	07-01-99	Stephanie R. Miles-Richardson	07-01-99
Eddie L. Frazier	07-01-99	Jimmy P. Magnuson	07-01-99	Joshua A. Mott	07-01-99
Robert C. Frickey	07-01-99	Daryl A. Melvin	10-01-99	Linda V. Venczel	07-01-99
Susan K. Fritz	07-01-99	Ernestine L. Meyers	07-01-99	Darin J. Weber	01-01-00
Keyla E. Gammarano	07-01-99	Kevin B. Milne	10-01-99		
James L. Gibson	07-01-99	Daniel D. Reitz	07-01-99	SANITARIAN	
David M. Goldstein	07-01-99	Michael B. Wich	10-01-99	<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>	
Margaret K. Grismer	10-01-99	Andrew J. Zajac	07-01-99	Robert N. Childers	07-01-99
Kristin R. Hamlin	10-01-99	Anthony T. Zimmer	07-01-99	Richard F. Collins	07-01-99
John M. Holcomb	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>		Richard W. Durrett	04-01-00
Michelle L. Kelley	04-01-00	Christopher M. Aguilar	07-01-99	Ralph F. Fulgham	07-01-99
Jacqueline P. Kerr	07-01-99	Mark A. Calkins	07-01-99	Geoffrey G. Langer	07-01-99
Anita C. Krumm	07-01-99	Carl D. Cecere III	10-01-99	Gailen R. Luce	07-01-99
Michelle R. Larock-Tully	07-01-99	Michael S. Coene	07-01-99	Mark H. Mattson	07-01-99
Roberta Proffitt Lavin	07-01-99	Charles M. Cote	01-01-00	Jane B. McCammon	07-01-99
Richard N. Leland	07-01-99	Patrick W. Craney	10-01-99	Reva J. Melton	07-01-99
Kathleen M. Madej	07-01-99	Marc M. Fleetwood	01-01-00	Gregory M. Piacitelli	07-01-99
William H. Muth, Jr.	07-01-99	Javier B. Franco	01-01-00	Laurie A. Piacitelli	07-01-99
Michele E. Nehrebecky	07-01-99	Thomas B. Gaulke	07-01-99	Douglas C. Pickup	10-01-99
Pauline H. Okhuysen	07-01-99	Cristina C. Gomberg	07-01-99	Walter M. Snesko	01-01-00
Dennis R. Owens	07-01-99	Dennis I. Haag	07-01-99	John W. Walmsley	07-01-99
Thuyle T. Pham	07-01-99	Scott M. Helgeson	04-01-00	Anthony C. Warchut	07-01-99
Dennis W. Reeves	07-01-99	Anthony G. Kathol	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>	
Lisa S. Reynolds	07-01-99	Darrell W. Laroche	04-01-00	Michael J. Alcalá	07-01-99
Donna M. Ribbons	07-01-99	Kathleen J. Mercure	10-01-99	Margaret L. Bolte	07-01-99
Elizabeth G. Sachse	04-01-00	Thomas J. Moeller	07-01-99	Thomas I. Bowman	07-01-99
Julia L. Samuelson	04-01-00	Denman K. Ondelacy	07-01-99	Clint R. Chamberlin	07-01-99
Debra L. Scott	07-01-99	Paul J. Ritz	07-01-99	Nancy J. Collins	07-01-99
Linda M. Scott	07-01-99	Jerry A. Smith	04-01-00	Sharan A. Freiberg	10-01-99
Michael M. Steele	07-01-99	Michael A. Stover	07-01-99	Gary J. Gefroh	04-01-00
Eric C. Swanson	07-01-99	SCIENTIST		Kenneth A. Hull	07-01-99
Lynn L. Weiss	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>		Merritt M. Lake	07-01-99
ENGINEER		William Cibulas, Jr.	07-01-99	John P. Leffel	01-01-00
<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>		Mark S. Eberhardt	10-01-99	John W. Leith	07-01-99
Dennis A. Barber	07-01-99	John A. Elliott	07-01-99	Paul M. Lewis	07-01-99
Daniel J. Carpenter	07-01-99	Michele R. Evans	07-01-99	Kevin D. Meeks	04-01-00
Thomas J. Degaetano	07-01-99	Barbara A. Grajewski	07-01-99	Michael A. Noska	07-01-99
Paul M. Lahr	07-01-99	David Hussong	07-01-99	Doris Ravenell-Brown	10-01-99
William M. Lowe	01-01-00	Robert W. Linkins	04-01-00	Richard A. Reese	07-01-99
Jeffrey J. Nolte	07-01-99	William G. Lotz	07-01-99	Joseph L. Salyer	07-01-99
Gladys Rodriguez	01-01-00	Mark L. Paris	07-01-99	Johnnie I. Williams	07-01-99
Richard A. Rubendall	01-01-00	Gilbert O. Sanders	07-01-99	Norman Wright	07-01-99
Louis D. Smith	07-01-99	Susan E. Schober	10-01-99	<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>	
Marvin L. Weber	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>		Donald S. Ackerman	01-01-00
Robert L. Wilson	07-01-99	Allen G. Albright	07-01-99	Charles M. Blue	07-01-99
<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>		Laila H. Ali	07-01-99	Darren I. Buchanan	07-01-99
Raymond M. Behel II	07-01-99	Roy A. Blay	07-01-99	Kevin R. Calci	07-01-99
David M. Birney	07-01-99	Janie L. Gittleman	07-01-99	Julia E. Chervoni	04-01-00
Mitchell W. Constant	07-01-99	Alden K. Henderson	07-01-99	Kenny R. Hicks	07-01-99
Matthew N. Dixon	01-01-00	Robert L. Krick	07-01-99	Patrick J. Hintz	07-01-99
		Ronald M. Larson	07-01-99	James R. Howell	10-01-99
		Michael A. McLaughlin	07-01-99	Duane M. Kilgus	07-01-99
		Joyce A. Salg	07-01-99	Ann M. Krake	07-01-99
		Glenn D. Todd	07-01-99		
		Richard P. Troiano	07-01-99		
		O'Neal A. Walker	07-01-99		

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Category	Effective Date:	Category	Effective Date:	Category	Effective Date:
Grade Promoted to:		Grade Promoted to:		Grade Promoted to:	
SANITARIAN (Continued)					
<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>					
<i>(Continued)</i>					
Brian L. Lewelling	04-01-00	David W. Racine	07-01-99	William A. Russell, Jr.	07-01-99
Jennifer M. Lincoln	10-01-99	Randy G. Rost	07-01-99	Darla J. Russell	10-01-99
Deborah L. Neilson	01-01-00	Bryan L. Schulz	07-01-99	Susan A. Russell	07-01-99
Richard A. Orlando	07-01-99	Cathy L. Shaffer	07-01-99	Margaret C. Saam	07-01-99
Alan G. Parham	07-01-99	Martin L. Smith	07-01-99	Scarlet D. Southern	07-01-99
Eduardo L. Rodriguez	10-01-99	Joslyn R. Swann	07-01-99	Dana L. Springer	01-01-00
Jon P. Schnoor	07-01-99	Robert P. Young	07-01-99	Jennifer J. Srivier	07-01-99
John D. Smart	07-01-99	James M. Zello	07-01-99	Preston L. Vancuren	07-01-99
Shawn F. Sorenson	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>		Gloria H. Weir	07-01-99
Linda K. West	07-01-99	Robert A. Anderson	01-01-00	Melissa L. Wentz	07-01-99
Daniel J. Yereb	01-01-00	Michael M. Carter	07-01-99	Erika C. Wessel	07-01-99
James Patrick Young	07-01-99	Christine E. Chamberlain	07-01-99	Catherine W. Witte	07-01-99
VETERINARY		Jose R. Cintron	07-01-99	DIETETICS	
<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>		Beecher R. Cope, Jr.	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>	
Frederick J. Angulo	04-01-00	Susan M. Dunn	10-01-99	Edith M. Clark	07-01-99
Jennifer A. Burris	07-01-99	Michael S. Forman	07-01-99	Katherine W. Davis	07-01-99
Mary F. Goelz	10-01-99	Michele F. Gemelas	07-01-99	Laura M. Kruse	07-01-99
Marcia L. Headrick	07-01-99	Jill G. Geoghegan	01-01-00	Joyanne P. Murphy	07-01-99
Ronald B. Landy	07-01-99	Raymond Goldstine	07-01-99	Leeanna Z. Travis	07-01-99
Georgina F. Miller	07-01-99	James D. Hazlewood	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>	
Leigh A. Sawyer	01-01-00	Terry A. Hook	07-01-99	Amy R. Maupin	07-01-99
<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>		Raymond T. Jackson	07-01-99	David M. Nelson	01-01-00
David A. Ashford	07-01-99	Roberta M. Jacobson	07-01-99	Mary N. Southard	07-01-99
Kristine M. Bisgard	07-01-99	Richard B. Lawson	07-01-99	Shirley J. Turpin	07-01-99
Walter R. Daley	07-01-99	Abraham A. Martinez	10-01-99	<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>	
Lynn O. Post	07-01-99	Sharon J. McCoy	07-01-99	Nellie S. Tucker	10-01-99
Joseph M. Schech	07-01-99	Joseph F. McGinnis	07-01-99	THERAPY	
<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>		William B. McLiverty	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>	
Suzanne B. Zane	07-01-99	Patricia J. Pacheco	07-01-99	Rebecca A. Parks	07-01-99
PHARMACY		Julie A. Platte	07-01-99	Becky L. Sellers	07-01-99
<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>		Annie L. Reiner	10-01-99	Thomas J. Stolusky	07-01-99
Jeneva S. Arnold	07-01-99	Steven K. Rietz	07-01-99	Ivana R. Williams	07-01-99
David B. Banks	07-01-99	Patricia F. Rodgers	01-01-00	Kevin P. Young	07-01-99
James D. Bona	07-01-99	Pamela M. Schweitzer	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Commander (O-5)</i>	
Orville D. Brown III	07-01-99	John F. Snow	07-01-99	Bernard N. Long	07-01-99
Ronald E. Brown	07-01-99	Matthew A. Spataro	07-01-99	Lois L. Michaelis-Goode	07-01-99
Joseph M. Buccine	07-01-99	Julienne M. Vaillancourt	07-01-99	Douglas P. Munoz	07-01-99
James L. Butler	07-01-99	Earl D. Ward, Jr.	07-01-99	Michaele R. Smith	07-01-99
Mark L. Demontigny	07-01-99	Gordon E. Watkins	01-01-00	<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>	
Kevin R. Dermanoski	07-01-99	Teresa A. Wheelous	07-01-99	Michelle Y. Jordan	04-01-00
Josephine E. Divel	07-01-99	Janey L. Wiles	01-01-00	Jean E. Marzen	01-01-00
Steven C. Doane	07-01-99	James S. Williams III	07-01-99	Gari A. Smith	04-01-00
Steven J. Donelan	07-01-99	Deborah F. Yaplee	07-01-99	Christa L. Themann	07-01-99
John A. Eltermann, Jr.	07-01-99	<i>To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)</i>		HEALTH SERVICES	
Richard M. Fejka	07-01-99	Karl D. Aagenes	10-01-99	<i>To Temporary Captain (O-6)</i>	
Beverly J. Friedman	07-01-99	Christopher A. Bina	07-01-99	Edith M. Bailey	07-01-99
Mark A. Gonitzke	07-01-99	Donald L. Branham	01-01-00	Ronda A. Balham	07-01-99
Carol E. Goodin	10-01-99	Christine S. Castillo	07-01-99	Regina A. Bronson	07-01-99
William H. Gould	07-01-99	James L. Cobbs	04-01-00	Clifford D. Brown	01-01-00
Marie B. Greenwood	10-01-99	Debra A. Dotson	07-01-99	Guy E. Burroughs, Jr.	07-01-99
Carol A. Gripp	10-01-99	Mark A. Feltner	07-01-99	Rust D. Corey	07-01-99
Steven D. Hardeman	07-01-99	Ellen C. Frank	07-01-99	Hilda P. Douglas	10-01-99
James C. Jordan	07-01-99	Randall J. Haigh	07-01-99	Deborah Dozier-Hall	07-01-99
James C. McCain	07-01-99	Daniel L. Hasenfang	07-01-99	Glen E. Harelson	07-01-99
Gerard F. Miller	07-01-99	Lisa M. Hubbard	07-01-99	Janet E. Johnson-Leclair	07-01-99
Glen M. Prewett	07-01-99	Robin R. John	07-01-99	Jeremiah P. King	07-01-99
		Malena A. Jones	01-01-00		
		Becky L. Kaime	04-01-00		
		Suzette M. Magnanao	07-01-99		
		Mark R. McClain	07-01-99		
		Mary A. Niesen	07-01-99		

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Category Effective
Grade Promoted to: Date:

HEALTH SERVICES (Continued)

To Temporary Captain (O-6) (Continued)

Edwin A. Knecht 07-01-99
Steven R. Lopez 10-01-99
Gary O. Maupin 07-01-99
James M. Mendlein 07-01-99
Eugene A. Migliaccio 07-01-99
Barry A. Miller 07-01-99
Martin Oberly 07-01-99
Jane Linkletter Osborne 07-01-99
Thomas S. Raffaele 04-01-00
Stuart A. Richards 10-01-99
Rachel E. Solomon 10-01-99
Thomas J. Stander 07-01-99
Max A. Tahsuda 07-01-99
Harry B. Taylor 01-01-00
Nancy A. Williams 07-01-99
Steven G. Zeldes 10-01-99

To Temporary Commander (O-5)

William Andresini, Jr. 07-01-99
Toni A. Bledsoe 07-01-99
Susan E. Burt 07-01-99
Paul S. Clemens 07-01-99
Traci L. Galinsky 07-01-99
Kerima A. Gibbons 07-01-99
Frances T. Gipson 07-01-99
Steven M. Glover 07-01-99
Steven M. Goldwasser 07-01-99
Darlene A. Harris 07-01-99
Delois M. Jackson 07-01-99
David C. Kvamme 07-01-99
Vickie L. Lopez 10-01-99
Richard A. March 07-01-99
Barbara Davis McCrory 07-01-99
Lanardo E. Moody 07-01-99
Earl C. Moore 07-01-99
Gay E. Nord 07-01-99
Carmencita T. Palma 10-01-99
Ronald E. Sellers 07-01-99

Category Effective
Grade Promoted to: Date:

Pete D. Soto 07-01-99
Dana R. Taylor 07-01-99
William Tool 07-01-99
Jayn Vander Hey-Wright 07-01-99

To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)

Noreen K. Aday 07-01-99
Angelina M. Albert 07-01-99
Jeffrey T. Bosshart 07-01-99
Diane E. Cairns 10-01-99
Michael A. Candreva 07-01-99
John J. Cardarelli II 07-01-99
Kellie J. Clelland 07-01-99
Donita S. Demontiney 10-01-99
Wanda L. Finch 07-01-99
Janelle M. Froelich 07-01-99
Amy M. Fuhr-Dechant 10-01-99
Dione Marie Harjo 10-01-99
Mary C. Hollister 10-01-99
Grey C. Jones 10-01-99
Monica R. Kueny 07-01-99
George J. Majus 07-01-99
Barbara A. Massey 07-01-99
Dana L. Nemeth 07-01-99
Trinh K. Nguyen 10-01-99
Kerry A. O'Brien 01-01-00
Daniel H. Reed 01-01-00
James B. Reed 04-01-00
Mark D. Ryan 07-01-99
Jay A. Seligman 07-01-99
Nicole M. Smith 07-01-99
Christopher R. Walsh 01-01-00

Did You Know

PHS Commissioned Corps Retired Officers

Did you know that two out of three PHS Commissioned Corps retired officers are living in one of the following 12 States? That more Corps retired officers live in the State of Maryland than in any other State?

Top 12 States with retired officers	Number + % PHS retired officers
Maryland	598 17.2 %
California	230 6.6 %
Arizona	204 5.9 %
Florida	201 5.8 %
Georgia	169 4.9 %
North Carolina	158 4.5 %
Washington	158 4.5 %
Virginia	145 4.2 %
Texas	134 3.9 %
New Mexico	110 3.2 %
Colorado	104 3.0 %
Ohio	85 2.4 %
12 State Total	2,296 66 %
All Locations	3,475 100%

1999 Exceptional Capability Promotion Cycle

The Division of Commissioned Personnel (DCP) recently completed the 1999 Exceptional Capability (EC) promotion cycle. This year, a total of 42 nominations were received in DCP for EC promotion consideration.

The Director, DCP, is pleased to announce the following EC promotions effective July 1, 1999:

To Temporary Captain (O-6)

Neil E. Caporaso
Judith A. Davis
Lauren C. Iacono-Connors
Newton E. Kendig
Robert W. Mayes
Bradley A. Perkins
Anne Schuchat
James S. Spahr
Julia A. Stokes
James N. Sutherland
Jerilyn A. Thornburg

To Temporary Commander (O-5)

Randall J. Gardner
Richard S. Harris
Joan F. Kelley
James L. Norris

To Temporary Lieutenant Commander (O-4)

Tracy B. Agerton
Michael D. LaPlante
Donald L. Sawyer
Kimberly A. Struble
Vincent M. Williams

LT Thomas C. Duran Received ROA Award

LT Thomas C. Duran, a pharmacist in the Public Health Service (PHS) Commissioned Corps, was honored as the PHS Junior Officer of the Year and received the VADM C. Everett Koop Award at the Reserve Officer Association's (ROA) Mid-Winter Conference held in Washington, D.C.

LT Duran serves as the Chief Information Officer at the Northern Navajo Medical Center, Shiprock, New Mexico. He has also served as a staff pharmacist at the Alaska Native Medical Center, and senior pharmacist at the Northern Navajo Medical Center. His exemplary performance and accomplishments include the successful implementation of an automated medication system, redevelopment of the Alaska Village Pharmacy Prescription Mail Out Program, development of pharmacy protocols for chronic disease monitoring, and a patient satisfaction survey. He is currently working with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to bring 'virtual medicine' to the Navajo Area. LT Duran helped develop the first Indian Health Service Pharmacist Outpatient Seizure Clinic which is now being used as a national model.

LT Duran's commitment to his profession, the people he serves, his community, and to the mission of the PHS are in the finest tradition of a commissioned corps officer.



CAPT William F. Holcomb Received AIChE Award

CAPT William F. Holcomb, engineering officer and currently the National Institutes of Health's Radiation Safety Training Officer, was honored by the American Institute of Chemical Engineer's (AIChE) Nuclear Engineering Division's Robert E. Wilson Award for 1999. The Award Citation was presented on March 16th and read "In recognition of his outstanding contributions to nuclear chemical engineering in radioactive waste management, fuel reprocessing and fabrication, governmental regulatory activities, and radiation safety training."

CAPT Holcomb received a bachelors degree in chemical engineering and a masters degree in metallurgical engineering and is also a registered professional chemical engineer from the State of Idaho and has a community college engineering instructor credential from the State of California. He is completing 25 years in the Corps and 39 years overall in the nuclear chemical engineering field. He has published more than 100 papers, articles, and book chapters relevant to his activities. During his career he made many contributions to the nuclear industry, both nationally and internationally, with distinguished service in the nuclear chemical engineering area of radioactive waste management and training activities involving radiation safety.



CDR Michael Milner Received AAPA Award

The American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) has named CDR Michael Milner winner of its 1999 Federal Service Physician Assistant of the Year Award. The award was presented on June 2nd in Atlanta, Georgia, during AAPA's 27th Annual Physician Assistant Conference. This is the first year this award was presented.

CDR Milner is stationed at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center (PIMC). He is the clinical unit coordinator and senior supervisory physician assistant (PA) for the Clinical Diabetes Research Unit which conducts groundbreaking research on Pima Indians. He is also the senior PA consultant to the Director of the Indian Health Service.

Recognizing the impact of tobacco use on Native American patients, CDR Milner

designed and implemented a comprehensive tobacco cessation program and serves as its director. The program at PIMC is currently available on a monthly basis and achieved tobacco abstinence success rates in excess of 35 percent, above the national average.

CDR Milner was honored with the PA of the Year Award by the Arizona State Association of PAs in 1998. He is adjunct faculty to the PA programs located at the University of Washington, Midwestern University, and the Arizona School of Health Sciences, and he is a member of the Phoenix Indian Hospital Credentials Committee and Ethics Committee.



Method for Accessing DCP's Electronic Bulletin Board

Access to the Division of Commissioned Personnel's (DCP) Electronic Bulletin Board (EBB) requires a computer terminal equipped with a modem. The telephone number to connect to EBB is 301-594-2398. The line parameters for your modem/terminal should be set at 300-14400 baud; 8 bits; 1 stop bit; no parity. If you do not have access to the required equipment, it is suggested that you contact your Operating Division/Program to inquire about obtaining the necessary equipment or information on how to obtain the material displayed on the EBB.

If you experience a problem regarding registration or access to the EBB, please contact:

Division of Commissioned
Personnel/HRS/PSC
ATTN: EBB Project Officer/ODB
5600 Fishers Lane, Room 4A-18
Rockville, MD 20857-0001
Phone: 301-594-3458 or
301-594-3360.



Recent Deaths

The deaths of the following retired officers were reported to the Division of Commissioned Personnel:

<i>Title / Name</i>	<i>Date</i>
NURSE	
CAPTAIN Bernadette T. Mesi	05/17/99
SANITARIAN	
CAPTAIN Darold W. Taylor	05/08/99



Vacancy Announcements

The following vacancies are provided as representative of varied opportunities currently available to Public Health Service Commissioned Corps officers. If you have questions pertaining to the announcements listed below, please call the contact listed.

Additional vacancy announcements suitable for commissioned officers can be reviewed by accessing the Division of Commissioned Personnel's (DCP) Electronic Bulletin Board (EBB). The EBB contains a listing of vacancies currently tracked by DCP's Vacancy Announcement and Tracking System (VAATS). Information regarding access and use of EBB is provided elsewhere in this *Commissioned Corps Bulletin*.

Any Operating Division/Program (OPDIV) wishing to list a vacancy in this column should send a written request to: Division of Commissioned Personnel/HRS/PSC, ATTN: VAATS Project Officer/ODB, Room 4A-18, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857-0001. The VAATS Project Officer can also be reached at: Phone: 301-594-3458 (or 301-594-3360) or Fax: 301-443-7069.

Category/OPDIV

Description of Position

MEDICAL

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION—
San Pedro, CA

Clinical Director
Contact: CDR Gilbert Rose 877-353-9834
Grade: O-6 VAATS ID: HBC-93-0130
Provides direct clinical services to Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) detainees at an INS Processing Center. Experience in a primary care setting is required. Spanish language proficiency is desirable, but not required.

DENTAL

BUREAU OF PRISONS—
Various Sites

Chief Dentist, Basic
Contact: CAPT Rodney Kirk 202-307-2867, ext. 138
Grade: O-4 VAATS ID: HBE-93-0325
Chief dental officer positions are available in solo clinics in various places in the Bureau of Prisons, including Lewisburg, PA; Sheridan, OR; McKean, PA; and Duluth, MN.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE—
Various Sites

Dentist (Chief / Staff)
Contact: CAPT Scott Bingham 505-248-4180
Grades: O-3/O-4/O-5/O-6
Dental officer positions are available in the Aberdeen Area, Alaska Area, Albuquerque Area, Bemidji Area, Billings Area, Navajo Area, Oklahoma Area, Phoenix Area, and Portland Area.

NURSE

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION—
Various Sites

Nurse
Contact: CDR Gilbert Rose 877-353-9834
Grades: O-3/O-4/O-5 VAATS ID: HBC-93-0093
Immigration and Naturalization Service openings for Nurse Practitioners (O-5) for San Pedro and El Centro, CA. Looking for experienced providers (O-3 to O-5) for Verick Street and Queens, NY, and Elizabeth, NJ. Spanish language and previous correctional experience preferred, but not required. Please fax curriculum vitae and cover letter to 202-514-0095.

HEALTH SERVICES

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION—
Various Sites

Psychologist
Contact: CDR Gilbert Rose 877-353-9834
Grade: O-5 VAATS ID: HBC-93-0133
Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) locations include El Centro, CA, and Miami, FL. Responsible for direct mental health services to INS detainees. Must be fluent in Spanish and preferably possess a doctorate degree. Previous correctional experience is preferred.

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Dental Category Mentoring

The Dental Professional Advisory Committee's (DePAC) mentoring program is now active.

Early-Career Officers—

Develop a professional relationship with an experienced officer who can help you to settle into the Corps, develop future career plans, and hopefully avoid some pitfalls.

Experienced Officers—

Pass the breadth and depth of your experiences onto less experienced officers. Help to maintain the strength of the Corps into the future.

For information or to volunteer as a mentor or protegee, contact:

CAPT Lee Shackelford
Mentor Program Coordinator
Phone: 618-664-6384
Email: lshackelford@bop.gov
The DePAC web site address is —
<[http://www.ihs.gov/nonmedical/programs/PHS/PHS Dental/index.htm](http://www.ihs.gov/nonmedical/programs/PHS/PHS%20Dental/index.htm)>

There is a link to the DePAC web site at:
<<http://dcp.psc.gov>>



Navy Mutual Aid Association Celebrates 120th Birthday

On July 28, 1999, the Navy Mutual Aid Association (NMAA) will celebrate its birthday—120 years rich in history and steeped in altruistic tradition. As a non-profit, veterans benefit association, NMAA offers life insurance plans, provides education on survivor benefits and entitlements, offers financial and insurance counseling, etc., to officers and enlisted members of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and since 1963, the Public Health Service.

To learn more about the NMAA, phone 1-800-628-6011 or visit their website at <www.navymutual.org>



Vacancy Announcements

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Description of Position

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION-
Washington, DC

Deputy Branch Chief
Contact: CDR Gilbert Rose 877-353-9834
Grades: O-5/O-6 VAATS ID: HBC-93-0129
Maintains ongoing functions of the Integrated Health and Support Services Branch, Division of Immigration Health Services, Immigration and Naturalization Service. Experience with medium to large computer systems, networks, and server application preferred. Masters degree in applicable health-related field and prior experience in correctional setting preferred.

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION-
Various Sites

Health Services Administrator
Contact: CDR Gilbert Rose 877-353-9834
Grade: O-6 VAATS ID: HBC-93-0126
Immigration and Naturalization Service openings in Elizabeth, NJ, and Miami, FL. Responsible for supervision of an outpatient clinic. Should have hands-on experience running outpatient clinics and be familiar with various accrediting programs.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH-
Rockville, MD

Human Subject Protection Coordinator
Contact: CAPT Melody Lin 301-435-5647
Grades: O-5/O-6 VAATS ID: HN-93-0029
Administers Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) programs for protection of human research subjects. Responsible for providing authoritative expertise to research institutions and HHS components concerning application of HHS policies, procedures, and regulations for the protection of human research subjects. Negotiates and administers human subject Assurances of Compliance with all domestic and international research institutions.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-
New York, NY

Emergency Coordinator
Contact: CAPT Robert Davidson 212-264-2560
Grades: O-4/O-5/O-6 VAATS ID: A-93-0008
Coordinates emergency response activities for Region II (New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands). Works with Federal, State, and local emergency programs to plan and carry out response to crisis if necessary. Position requires travel within the Region and possible deployment to crisis areas in Region II as well as throughout the United States.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION-
San Francisco, CA

Managed Care Coordinator
Contact: CDR Gilbert Rose 877-353-9834
Grades: O-5/O-6 VAATS ID: HBC-93-0134
Immigration and Naturalization Service position requires some regional travel. Must be able to work independently. Nurses, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants will be considered. Needs to be able to communicate with local correctional officials about patient care issues and managed care concepts.

Reminder

1999 Annual COERs

The 1999 Annual Commissioned Officers' Effectiveness Report (COER) was distributed in mid May. The remaining established deadlines are as follows:

COERs are due:

- to the COER Operating Division/Program Commissioned Corps Liaison by *July 9, 1999*; and
- to the Division of Commissioned Personnel by *July 23, 1999*.

A memorandum signed by the Secretary concerning commissioned corps personnel practices, required that managers understand and fulfill their obligations concerning Corps performance management. Therefore, a well-documented COER must be completed for each commissioned officer, and the Secretary is holding each Operating Division Head responsible for full compliance.



Retirements - June

<i>Title / Name</i>	<i>OPDIV / Program</i>
MEDICAL	
REAR ADMIRAL (LOWER)	
Joseph F. Fraumeni, Jr.	NIH
CAPTAIN	
Theodore M. Pinkert	NIH
DENTAL	
CAPTAIN	
Derrick T. Johnston	BOP
COMMANDER	
Kevin C. Craig	IHS
LIEUTENANT COMMANDER	
Anthony B. Norris	BOP
NURSE	
COMMANDER	
Mark R. Charlton	IHS



DCP and Y2K Update

This month's update will describe the "Day One Plan" for "Day One Period" activities and the role of the Emergency Response Center (ERC). The 6-week period, from December 15, 1999 through January 31, 2000, has been defined as the "Day One Period" by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The "Day One Period" will include final Y2K preparations, the century rollover, and time for fixing identified Y2K-related failures of critical systems and resources. It is during this time that Y2K-related failures would be expected to take place. A Y2K failure starts when the event is detected and ends when the recovery is completed.

The concept for an ERC originated from the need to coordinate activities during the "Day One Period." Representatives from the Operating Divisions of the Department and the Y2K coordinators proposed the basic concept for an ERC, and it was presented to the Deputy Secretary of HHS on December 11, 1998, at a Y2K status briefing. Government agencies, including HHS, have established ERCs to coordinate activities and facilitate communications with customers and staff. The information flowing among the ERCs includes status, media requests, responses to requests, and guidance. Each business area will also communicate directly with their Y2K teams, business partners, and customers.

In spite of diligent preparations and testing, Y2K-related failures might occur. It is the role of those designated as Action Officers (AOs) to coordinate the ac-

tivities necessary to correct these failures. AOs from the Division of Commissioned Personnel (DCP) will rotate with other Human Resources Service (HRS) and Program Support Center (PSC) staff in PSC's ERC. The AOs will be responsible for:

- collecting status from internal and external sources;
- constructing status reports for HHS;
- sharing critical information with PSC and HRS staff;
- escalating serious problems or cross-service requests;
- brokering resource requests; and
- logging major events, actions, and results.

On July 1, 1999, in coordination with the Department's ERC, the AOs in DCP participated in a test of the ERC operations. Several possible scenarios were tested to ensure the procedures developed in the "Day One Plan" were complete and accurate.

January 1, 2000, falls on a Saturday. During that weekend, a team of technicians will verify that the computer systems and networks are operating correctly and that all software applications work as designed. Should any anomalies be identified, they will be isolated and the necessary resources will be called upon to fix the problem. All major contingencies have been documented in a 'contingency plan' and will be invoked to repair, replace, or restore systems, data,

or other resources. The objective is to ensure that all critical systems are operational on the first workday in the year 2000.

Additional information on the preparations and details of the "Day One Plan" will be published in future issues of the *Commissioned Corps Bulletin*. □

Social Security Statement

You pay 7.65 percent of your earned income to Social Security each year and your eventual benefits will be based on the amount you have contributed.

You are encouraged to periodically obtain a copy of your "Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement" from the Social Security Administration (SSA). Your statement will show a summary of all the years that you have paid into the system and will provide you with an estimate of the various Social Security benefits to which you may be entitled in the future.

There are two easy ways to do this, either phone 1-800-772-1213 or visit the SSA web site at—<http://www.ssa.gov> □

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