

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

**COMMISSIONED CORPS DIRECTIVE**



**CCD 157.01  
EFFECTIVE DATE: 9 July 2019**

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**By Order of the Secretary of Health and Human Services:**

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SUBJECT: Transfer of Education Benefits

1. PURPOSE: This Directive sets forth the regulations regarding the transfer of education benefits to a dependent of an officer of the Commissioned Corps of the U.S. Public Health Service (Corps).
2. APPLICABILITY: This Directive applies to all Corps officers serving on active duty.
3. AUTHORITY:
  - 3-1. [38 U.S.C §3319](#), "Authority to transfer unused education benefits to family members"
  - 3-2. Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) [DoDI 1341.13](#), "Post 9/11 GI Bill"
4. PROPONENT: The proponent of this Directive is the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).
5. SUMMARY OF REVISIONS AND UPDATES: This is the first issuance of this Directive within the electronic Commissioned Corps Issuance System (eCCIS).

6. POLICY: Consistent with Directives and Instructions issued by the Department of Defense (DoD), the Assistant Secretary for Health (ASH) shall issue implementing guidance, to govern the administration of the transfer of a Corps officer's education benefits to a dependent.
7. RESPONSIBILITIES:
  - 7-1. The ASH shall establish policy, assign responsibilities, and prescribe procedures in accordance with this Directive.
  - 7-2. The ASH may make further delegations to implement this Directive.
8. HISTORICAL NOTES: This is the first issuance of this Directive within the eCCIS and creates a standalone Directive within the eCCIS.