

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES

PERSONNEL POLICY MEMORANDUM



PPM 08-010
EFFECTIVE DATE: 19 February 2008

By Order of the Acting Assistant Secretary for Health:

Donald Wright, M.D., M.P.H.

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

SUBJECT: Nurse Accession Bonus

1. Recruitment of qualified nurse officers is critical to meeting the mission of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Commissioned Corps of the U.S. Public Health Service (Corps). Therefore, in order to ensure that the Corps is able to recruit nurse officers to meet the public health needs of the Nation, the nurse accession bonus shall be increased to \$20,000 for a 36-month active duty service obligation and \$25,000 for a 48-month active duty service obligation (See [37 USC 302d](#) and [CC42.2.3](#), "Nurse Category Special Pays").
2. The reference in Exhibit I of [CC22.2.14](#), "Nurse Officer Special Pays," to the nurse accession bonus rates of \$15,000 and \$20,000 is hereby rescinded. All other provisions of CC22.2.14 relating to the accession bonus shall remain in effect.
3. The effective date for this policy shall be the date of signature, and it will be in effect until further notice.

/s/

Donald Wright, M.D., M.P.H.
Acting Assistant Secretary for Health