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A number of our AMEDD Civilian Corps members have asked about opportunities to deploy as civilians to support Army and Department of Defense missions. As you may know, those opportunities are not frequent but they do sometimes exist.

**** Before you read further, remember that, as we've told some who have asked in the past, any deployment opportunity must be coordinated and approved through your organization and chain of command. That point is critical because the mission of the AMEDD must continue. That said, we just received the information below in reference to some civilian deployment positions for which reimbursement to the losing command may be available.

Under the umbrella of the Civilian Expeditionary Workforce (CEW), Ministry of Defense Advisors (MoDA) Program selects DoD civilian employees and deploys them for one year to Kabul, Afghanistan to serve as advisors within the Ministries of Defense and Interior. Advisor skill sets include logistics, budget/finance, human resources, acquisition, legal, engineering, IT/Comms, and healthcare, as well as other fields of expertise.

The need currently exists for a limited number of civilians in multiple functional areas to deploy to Afghanistan as part of the MoDA program. The program is specifically seeking applications from current DoD civilian physicians and healthcare administrators to fill 4 healthcare advisory positions. I've attached (at the end of this message) brief descriptions of the jobs.

DoD civilian employees who are selected as MoDA Advisors are guaranteed return rights back to their position, or an equivalent position within their organization. A selected employee's salary is paid by the parent organization, but MoDA pays all premium pays (35% Post Differential and 35% Danger Pay) and up to 40 hours per pay period of overtime. The parent organization can request OCO funds to pay any additional overtime worked.

As with all CEW positions, the parent organization must approve the selection of each employee for MoDA. As a way to ease the loss of an experienced senior civilian employee, the MoDA Program is able to provide backfill funding up to 130% of the employee's salary to assist parent organizations in temporarily filling the gap left during the advisor's absence.

MoDA Advisors receive 7 1/2 weeks of training in advance of a one year deployment (TDY), with the possibility of extending for a second year, provided they receive concurrence from their parent organization. The MoDA Program is currently accepting resumes for the class of advisors that will begin training in January 2012 and will deploy in March 2012. USAJobs Vacancy Announcement number MoDA001 is open until 18 November 2011, but applications that are received by 1 September 2011 will receive first consideration.

You can find additional information about the MoDA program and other vacancies in MoDA and CEW at: <http://www.cpms.osd.mil/expeditionary/> and also in the attached flyer at <https://ameddciviliancorps.amedd.army.mil/filedownload.aspx?docid=378>. The flyer contains contact information for a MoDA Program POC.

Applications for MoDA Advisor positions can be submitted on USA Jobs at:
[http://jobview.usajobs.gov/GetJob.aspx?JobID=99704441&JobTitle=Ministry+of+Defense+Advisors+Program+\(MoDA\)+Deployment+Opportunities&rad_units=miles&brd=3876&pp=25&sort=rv%2c-dtex&jbf522=0602&jbf574=DD*&jbf785=&vw=b&re=134&FedEmp=N&FedPub=Y&caller=advanced.aspx&AVSDM=2011-07-12+03%3a13%3a00](http://jobview.usajobs.gov/GetJob.aspx?JobID=99704441&JobTitle=Ministry+of+Defense+Advisors+Program+(MoDA)+Deployment+Opportunities&rad_units=miles&brd=3876&pp=25&sort=rv%2c-dtex&jbf522=0602&jbf574=DD*&jbf785=&vw=b&re=134&FedEmp=N&FedPub=Y&caller=advanced.aspx&AVSDM=2011-07-12+03%3a13%3a00) .

The announcement includes contact information for a MoDA POC if you have questions or need more information.

Next Chief's Message will likely come out in September. Stay tuned and, in the meantime, STAY SAFE!!!

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Chief, AMEDD Civilian Corps

Attachment

MoDA Healthcare Advisor Positions

--00106104- Surgeon General Mentor (MoD)

The position requires a senior healthcare executive with an MBA or equivalent to develop the ANA OTSG capability and capacity to plan, execute and assess the ANA military Healthcare system. The advisor will institute quantifiable processes and indicators within the ANA Military Healthcare System, which can be monitored and sustained by the ANA medical leadership. The advisor also participates on a team of international and Afghan advisors providing technical assistance to develop and bring new knowledge and enhance the executive leadership developments for the ANA Office of the Surgeon General (OTSG), which is strategically essential to the overall mission of developing the ANA capabilities to render effective medical care to all Afghanistan National Security Forces (ANSF), thus ensure security and stability within Afghanistan. The position requires daily travel to the NMH & OTSG.

--00106111- Senior Physician-Medical Standards (MoD)

This position requires a senior physician responsible for advising the Afghan National Army Assistant Surgeon General for Scientific and Clinical Services, developing and implementing hospital policies on the practice and delivery of health care in the ANA hospitals and clinics. The physician is also responsible for the development and coordination of effective physician training programs in the ANA. These include undergraduate training in Operational/Military Medicine as well as Specialty (Residency) training that meets or exceeds standards developed by the Ministry of Public Health. The position requires daily travel to the NMH & OTSG.

--00106209 - Health Sector Development Physician (MoD)

This position requires a senior physician or health care administrator (HCA), preferably with experience in the Public Health Sector, to mentor ANA medical leadership in the development and implementation of appropriate health policies and programs. The physician or HCA will increase and improve medical capacity, thus assisting the ANA in building its health sector in support of the ANA mission. The physician or HCA will also establish collaborative health education and training opportunities in coordination with the Ministry of Public Health and appropriate non-governmental organizations. The position requires daily travel to the NMH & OTSG.

00106215 - Civ-Mil Health Sector Development Physician (MoD)

This position requires a senior physician or health care administrator (HCA), preferably with experience in both the Public Health Sector and non-governmental organizations health delivery models, to mentor ANA medical leadership in the development and implementation of appropriate health policies and programs. The physician or HCA will increase and improve medical capacity, thus assisting the ANA in building its health sector in support of the ANA mission. The physician or HCA will also establish collaborative health education and training opportunities in coordination with the Ministry of Public Health and appropriate non-governmental organizations. The position requires daily travel to the NMH & OTSG.

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