

AMEDD Civilian Corps Chief Msg #50----HAPPY BIRTHDAY, USA!! (3 July 2014)

Hi All,

Just a quick note before the holiday to wish you all a great and safe Independence Day and provide a little information (yep, how could I resist??)

First, as you have a great day tomorrow, please, please, please do so safely! There are all sorts of ways to have fun, some more “challenging” than others. Just please keep safety in the forefront of your thoughts as you have that fun. The Army Medicine Team needs you and would not be the same without the great work you do in accomplishing our mission. Second, as you celebrate have fun, but keep the Performance Triad in mind as well. There will be plenty of opportunity for activity—be safe and hydrate; there will be plenty of opportunity to consume nutrition—just remember that some “nutrition” needs to be taken in moderation at best to maintain your health; and remember that a good night’s sleep before all that “activity” and “nutrition” will help to see you through the day and the weekend with both health and safety at the front of the line!

Here are a few things to think about:

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

7 July 14—Due date for applications for the 4th Quarter FY 13 Wolf Pack Award. Details on the award and application are on the website under the “Celebrate Success” link of the AMEDD Civilian Corps website.

9 July 14—The Army Surgeon General and Commanding General of U.S. Army Medical Command Lt. Gen. Patricia Horoho is hosting Army Medicine's first Facebook Virtual Town Hall on July 9, 2014 from 1330-1430 EST. You can participate in the town hall by going to the Army Medicine Facebook page at www.facebook.com/OfficialArmyMedicine <<http://www.facebook.com/OfficialArmyMedicine>> .

15 Jul 14—First of three deadlines for applications to the Harvard Senior Executive Fellows (SEF) program. This first submission is for class dates 12 Oct – 7 Nov 2014. The 4-week course is held at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA and is targeted for GS14/15 or equivalent levels. Eligibility is limited to permanent employees with 3 years in a civilian position. The course is designed to build executive skills in political and public management, negotiation, human resources management, policy-making, organizational, strategy, communication, ethics, and leadership. It is primarily focused on the skills required of upper-level managers who are required to focus on "the larger picture" of the organization. If you are interested, be sure you are current on your CES coursework and that this course is included in your IDP! There are a second class and third class with MEDCOM deadlines for nomination packages. We have posted more information under “What’s New” on our website and you can link to the Harvard SEF announcement in the ACTEDS Training Catalog at: <http://cpol.army.mil/library/train/catalog/ch04husef.html>. If you still need additional information, you can contact the MEDCOM G37, Readiness, Training and Exercise Div, Workforce Development Program, Mr. Raymond R. Mendoza Jr. His contact information is in the global.

ACCOLADES / RECOGNITION

--Congratulations to Lori A. Loan, Chief, Center for Nursing Science and Clinical Inquiry, Madigan Army Medical Center, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA for being awarded the Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service. Read more about Lori receiving the award at the 2014 Secretary of the Army Awards ceremony by going to our website at <https://ameddciviliancorps.amedd.army.mil/Default.aspx> <<https://ameddciviliancorps.amedd.army.mil/Default.aspx>> . Click on Awards and Recognitions under the “Celebrate Success” link.

--“Well done!” to the recipients of the Calendar Year (CY 13) Professional Medical Logisticians' Civilian Awards. These recipients have clearly demonstrated exceptional skills, technical competence, professionalism, and customer service in the Medical Logistics Field.

GS Series, Supervisory Level - Mr. Edwards Grantham, Deputy Chief Customer Support Division, United States Army Medical Materiel Center-Europe, Pirmasens, Germany.

WG, GS, LN Series, Non-Supervisory Level - Mr. Karl Busch, Army's Senior Service Representative for the Defense Medical Logistics - Enterprise System, G-46, Office of The Surgeon General, Fort Detrick, Maryland.

Hooah! to Carl Smith, Branch Chief of the Combat and Operational Stress Control Training Branch, Army Medical Department Center and School for being inducted into the University of Kentucky College of Social Work Hall of Fame/ He is the first military veteran to receive this recognition at the University of Kentucky College of Social Work. You can read more about Carl by going to <http://uknow.uky.edu/content/college-social-work-inducts-three-new-members-hall-fame> <<http://uknow.uky.edu/content/college-social-work-inducts-three-new-members-hall-fame>> . Carl, thanks for continuing to serve!!

--Great stuff! to Ms. Evelyn Galvis, Speech-Language Pathologist, Department of Brain Injury Medicine Womack Army Medical Center, for being presented the 2013 Wounded Warrior Care Provider of the Year award by retired CW2 Michael Davis, founder and national director of Vietnam Combat Veterans Limited. Go to our website tab Celebrate Success and click on "Award and Recognition" to read more about Ms. Galvis. Thanks for taking care of our wounded Soldiers.

--Congratulations to two of our Team members from the U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research Burn Center (USAISR). The two awardees were: Reginald "Reg" L. Richard, for "Best Paper" and Nicole Caldwell for "Best in Category." Read more about their accomplishments by going to the June 2014 Mercury article at (page 27) by clicking http://armymedicine.mil/Documents/June_Mercury_2014.pdf.

--Hooray for Ms. Jessica Brockmeyer, Executive Officer for the U.S. Army Public Health Command's Laboratory Sciences Portfolio, for completing the Executive Leadership Development Program! The program provides participants with a joint and interagency training and leader development experience. The article is available at <http://www.army.mil/article/127753/> <<http://www.army.mil/article/127753/>>

--Ms. Kathleen D. Martin, Trauma Program Nurse Director, Landstuhl Regional Medical Center received the Department of the Army, Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service, in a ceremony held 10 June 2014. We have posted a photo Ms. Martin's recognition for exceptional service on our website under tab "Civilian Corps Photos", "Awards and Recognitions."

EDUCATION & TRAINING – MOBILE EDUCATION TEAMS (METS)

In FY13/FY14, the Army Management Staff College (AMSC) had to decrease capacity due to furlough, shutdown, and low faculty fill, which left hundreds of Army civilians on wait list/backlog for Civilian Education System (CES) courses, particularly the Advanced Course. HQDA G-37/TRV is assisting AMSC with an interim plan to fund Mobile Education Teams (METs) for the CES Advanced Course to support organizations in the National Capital Region (NCR), as well as several other locations with a high density of Army Civilians. The plan includes funding for curriculum development specialists directed by the Army Civilian Workforce Transformation (CWT) that I've talk about for the last couple of years. Stay tuned for an opportunity in your area! We'll publish more info as soon as we get it.

MEDCOM WORKFORCE 2020

As part of the Workforce 2020 initiative and a desire to make MEDCOM civilian job vacancies more visible to MEDCOM employees, MEDCOM Civilian HR worked with the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to create a web link to USAJobs that is pre-filtered search to reflect only MEDCOM civilian vacancy announcements. This link is now posted on the Army Medicine, Civilian Corps and other MEDCOM webpages. Here's the direct link: <https://medcom.usajobs.gov> <<https://medcom.usajobs.gov>> if you're interested.

ARMY PROFESSION

One goal of the FY14 America's Army – Our Profession "Stand Strong" Program is to enhance understanding of the five essential characteristics of the Army Profession:

Trust

Stewardship

Esprit de Corps

Honorable Service

Military Expertise

The intent for the FY14 America's Army – Our Profession, "Stand Strong" Program is to develop a shared professional identity, motivate ethical conduct, and drive character development for Soldiers and Army Civilians. The program reinforces Trust among Army Professionals and with the American people, inspires Honorable Service, strengthens Stewardship of the Army Profession, and enhances Esprit de Corps. The campaign focus in 1st and 2nd Quarters has been TRUST. For 3rd and 4th Quarters the focus is HONORABLE SERVICE & STEWARDSHIP. The Civilian Corps is one component of the Army Profession, along with the Profession of Arms. What can we do in our workplaces and in performing our jobs to demonstrate these essential characteristics? What can we – each of us – do to promote trust, honorable service, and stewardship?

As I've mentioned before, you can read more about the Army Profession in the Army Doctrine Publication (ADP) 1, The Army, Chapter 2, and Army Doctrine Reference Publication (ADRP) 1, The Army Profession. These documents help us understand what it means to be an Army Professional.

Click on the "America's Army – Our Profession" on the main page of our website to take you to the Center for Army Ethic and Profession (CAPE) website: <http://cape.army.mil/> <<http://cape.army.mil/>> for more information about the Army Profession, the "Stand Strong" Campaign, and to download Army Profession and Stand Strong campaign materials.

Guess that's it for now except for one reminder. We will continue to schedule the Corps Chief mentorship VTCs and are working to open it up to more participants. Stay tuned for the next schedule—which we'll try to publish early enough for folks to manage their schedules so they can participate. Finally, for those concerned about the "trivia contest" component of the VTCs, we've arranged a new way to approach it so stop by and participate!

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY ALL Y'ALL!!!

Sincerely,

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