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## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY 5116 KISTER AVENUE DUGWAY, UTAH 84022-1097

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Occupational Health (OH) Services at Dugway Proving Ground (DPG)

- 1. BLUF: The Dugway OH Clinic will resume surveillance exams and pre-placement exams in a limited capacity beginning 20 July 2020.
- 2. ANNEX DD to MEDCOM OPORD 20-21 (MILITARY TREATMENT FACILITY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAK) required all Army OH clinics to curtail routine OH services during the coronavirus pandemic while in HPCON C.
- 3. Although Dugway remains at HPCON C, we are aware of the need for OH services to resume. In recognition of this, the Dugway Clinic has been given provisional permission from our supporting MEDDAC (Evans Army Community Hospital) to resume some face-to-face OH services.
- 4. Beginning 20 July 2020, we will start performing a limited number of exams (two Part I and two Part II exams per day). We will prioritize exams based on need, and ask that you continue to wait to schedule low priority exams. The following list is how we will prioritize required medical exams:
- a. All delayed government preplacement examinations for those who are currently under preliminary clearance status but have not yet been examined;
- b. All newly hired contractors who require medical surveillance but have not yet been examined;
- c. Delayed annual surveillance which does not fall under a current waiver for Emergency Essential Personnel (police / security, fire fighters, paramedics);
- d. Testing support personnel with delayed surveillance to include: CAT I/Bio Disseminators; Spill Team; Cat II/BSAT (Chenega); Jacobs CAT I; Mellor Hazmat Team.
- e. Mission-Essential Personnel (MEP), including delayed annual surveillance for PRP, such as for chemical operations (i.e. chemical agent handlers, chemical monitoring technicians, etc.) and also for BPRP personnel;

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- f. Non-PRP, MEP employees and contractors;
- g. Non-PRP, non-MEP employees.
- 5. Additionally, supervisors should contact the clinic if they have employees that need to be given priority differently than listed above due to mission demands.
- 6. Pulmonary function testing (spirometry) will continue to be curtailed. We will perform respirator clearance exams on those who come in for a required physical; however, those employees overdue for respirator clearance and exempted due to the pandemic will continue to be exempted until their exam can be performed. If any employees have concerns about their ability to safely wear a respirator because of a change in medical status, please contact the health clinic.
- 7. As part of our provisional permission to resume OH services, we will immediately cease all in-person examinations if any of the following occur:
  - a. A clinic staff member develops symptoms of COVID-19.
  - b. A recent visitor to the clinic develops symptoms of COVID-19.
  - c. Any other concern resulting in the possibility of COVID-19-spread within the clinic.
- 8. The clinic will continue taking extra precautions during patient encounters in order to prevent any transmission of COVID-19. If you are scheduled for a physical exam, please take note of and observe the following:
- a. If you are feeling sick (regardless of how mild your symptoms may be), please cancel your appointment.
  - b. All persons will enter the building from the south entrance.
- c. Please put on your mask/face covering prior to entering the building. Those who are not wearing a mask will not be allowed in the building. The clinic is not providing masks to visitors. Please do not remove the mask, unless instructed.
- d. Please sanitize your hands immediately upon entering the building (hand sanitizer will be provided).
- e. You will then be screened for COVID-19 with a temperature check and questionnaire.
  - f. If all of the above are met, we will proceed with the exam.

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- 9. We want to continue supporting the DPG mission, but must do so in a careful, phased approach to best protect our workforce, patients, and the entire Dugway community.
- 10. Any questions may be directed to the Dugway Clinic, (435) 831-2211.

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