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SUBJECT: Completing Deployment-Related Health Assessments Associated with Deployment to Southern Border Operations

Reference: Department of Defense Instruction 6490.03, "Deployment Health," June 19, 2019

This memorandum provides instruction on entering Southern Border Operations deployment location information in the Pre-Deployment Health Assessment (DD Form 2795), Post-Deployment Health Assessment (DD Form 2796), and Post-Deployment Health Re-Assessment (DD Form 2900), in accordance with the authority in the referenced DoD Instruction (DoDI) 6490.03, "Deployment Health," June 19, 2019. Accurate deployment location information is crucial to ensuring accurate assignment of occupational and environmental health exposure assessments and subsequent health surveillance of deployed service members.

DoDI 6490.03 outlines deployment health activities that seek to assess and minimize health risks associated for deployed service members and veterans. Deployment-related health assessments monitor a service member's health before, during, and after their deployment cycle. The assessments are conducted at specific intervals throughout the deployment cycle.

- a. DD Form 2795, Pre-Deployment Health Assessment¹, is required to be completed within 120 days prior to deployment.
- b. DD Form 2796, Post-Deployment Health Assessment², is required to be completed within 30 days before or after return from deployment.
- c. DD Form 2900, Post-Deployment Health Re-Assessment³, is required to be completed within 90-180 days after return from deployment.

¹ DD Form 2795, "Pre-Deployment Health Assessment," October 2015; sample available at: <https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/forms/dd/dd2795.pdf>

² DD Form 2796, "Post Deployment Health Assessment (PDHA)," October 2015; sample available at: <https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/forms/dd/dd2796.pdf>

³ DD Form 2900, "Post-Deployment Health Re-Assessment," December 2023; sample available at: <https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/forms/dd/dd2900.pdf>

The sections below provide instruction for filling location fields with Southern Border Operations information. One of the Task Force (TF) location names listed in the table below must be utilized for the deployment location fields on the DD forms.

a. Standardized List of TF Location Names for Southern Border (SB) Operations

TF Location Names
SB TF West
SB TF Southwest
SB TF Central
SB TF East
SB TF Southeast
SB TF Multiple
SB TF Undefined

b. DD Form 2795 - Pre-Deployment Health Assessment

- On page 1, under “List country you are deploying to (if known)” enter the specific Southern Border Operations TF location as listed above. Ensure that “Estimated date of upcoming deployment” and “Name of operation (if known)” are accurately recorded.

c. DD Form 2796 – Post-Deployment Health Assessment (PDHA)

- On page 1, under “To what areas were you mainly deployed?” enter the specific Southern Border Operations TF location(s) as listed above. Ensure that “Date arrived in theater,” “Date departed theater,” and “Time at location(s) (months)” are accurately recorded.

d. DD Form 2900 - Post-Deployment Health Re-Assessment (PDHRA)

- On page 1, under “Primary country of last deployment,” enter the specific Southern Border Operations TF location as listed above. Ensure that the “Date departed theater/theater location” is accurately recorded.

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