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PERSONNEL PROCUREMENT

TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR ARMY MEDICAL SPECIALIST CORPS
OFFICER PROCUREMENT

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1. Purpose. These regulations set forth Department of the Army procurement programs established to provide professional training to selected graduates of colleges and universities, who upon successful completion of the training programs will be qualified for professional careers in the Army Medical Specialist Corps.

2. Scope. These training programs are preceded by the Army Nurse Corps Officer Orientation Course. Upon completion of the first 4 weeks of this course, training will be continued under one of the following:

a. Dietetic Internship. The program is conducted in selected Army hospitals and is established to meet military requirements and the requirements of the American Dietetic Association. The training program consists of class instruction and learning experiences in diet therapy, hospital food service, administration, organization; and kitchen, dining room and storeroom management, menu planning, cost accounting, and all other aspects of hospital food service.

b. Physical Therapy Course. The first 7 months of the program is conducted at the Medical Field Service School, Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Tex.; the remaining 5 months which is primarily supervised clinical practice, is conducted in selected Army hospitals. The course is designed to meet military requirements and the

requirements of the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association and the American Physical Therapy Association. The scope of this course is outlined in DA Pam 20-21.

c. Occupational Therapy Clinical Affiliation. The program is conducted at selected Army hospitals and is established to meet military requirements and the requirements of the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association, and the American Occupational Therapy Association. The training program consists of 9 months supervised clinical practice of occupational therapy.

3. Eligibility. Individuals applying for selection to participate in the above training programs must be—

a. At least 21 years of age but not have passed their 30th birthday on the date of appointment in the Army Medical Specialist Corps. Applicants who are at least 18 but not 21 years of age may be appointed as temporary officers as indicated in paragraph 9.

b. A citizen of the United States. An individual who is not a citizen of the United States by birth will submit a statement signed by an officer of the Army or a notary public, reading substantially as indicated in (1), (2), or (3) below, as appropriate. Under no circumstances will facsimiles or copies,

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photostatic or otherwise; of naturalization certificates, declarations of intention, certificates of citizenship be credited as original inasmuch as the reproduction of these certificates or any parts thereof without lawful authority is a crime. See act of 25 June 1948 (62 Stat. 767; 18 U.S.C., 1426 (h)).

(1) *For those who are citizens by naturalization.*

I have this date seen the original certificate of citizenship No. _____ (or certified copy of the court order establishing citizenship) stating that _____ was admitted
 (name of applicant)
 to United States citizenship by the court of _____ at _____ on _____
 (city and state) (date)

(2) *For those who claim citizenship through naturalization of parent.*

I have this date seen the original certificate of citizenship No. _____ issued by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, stating that _____
 (name of applicant)
 _____ acquired citizenship
 on _____
 (date)

(3) *For those who have declared their intention of becoming citizens of the United States.*

I have this date seen an officially certified copy of the declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States, No. _____ made by _____
 (name)
 on _____ in the court
 (date)
 of _____ at _____
 (city)
 _____ The copy was im-
 (state)
 pressed with the seal and contained the signature of the clerk of the _____
 court at _____
 (city) (state)

c. In sufficient command of the English language to understand and write technical information pertinent to the specialty. A statement will be entered in item 73, Standard Form 88 (Report of Medical Examination) concerning applicants at the time they are given a medical examination.

d. Without dependents under 18 years of age, if applicant is female, and will not have the legal responsibility for custody, control, care, maintenance, or support of any individual under 18 years of age regardless of relationship. Applicants who

surrendered rights to custody and control of dependents under 18 years of age through legal proceedings will submit a photostatic or certified copy of the instrument which relieved them of such rights.

e. Female, if applying for the Physical Therapy Course.

f. Unmarried except that this requirement does not apply to male applicants or to those applicants who have completed their education in the Army Student Dietitian Program or Army Student Occupational Therapy Program.

g. A graduate or prospective graduate of a college or university accredited by, or holding membership in, the appropriate regional crediting association or national professional organization as listed in Education Directory, Part 3, Higher Education, published by the Office of Education, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. In all cases the accreditation must be effective as of the date on which the degree or credits were attained.

(1) *Dietetic Internship.* Have, or expect to have conferred within 6 months, a degree of bachelor of science or equivalent, with a major in either foods and nutrition, or in institution management. Program of study must include specific courses required by the American Dietetic Association.

(2) *Physical Therapy Course.* Have, or expect to have conferred within 6 months, a baccalaureate degree including satisfactory courses in the biological and physical sciences and psychology.

(3) *Occupational Therapy Clinical Affiliation.* Have, or expect to have conferred within 6 months, a baccalaureate degree which includes or has been followed by a curriculum in occupational therapy.

h. Medically qualified for appointment by meeting the standards prescribed in chapter 2, AR 40-501.

i. Of high moral character and have high personal qualifications.

j. Not hold religious views inconsistent with service. If the applicant's classification with his local Selective Service Board is 1-A-O (conscientious objector available for noncombatant military service only), he will be required to furnish an affidavit to the effect that



Except for the bearing of arms in accordance with my religious training and beliefs, I will, if appointed, comply with the military requirements of the United States.

A former conscientious objector will be required to furnish an affidavit expressing his abandonment of such belief so far as it pertains to his unwillingness to bear arms, and to give full and unqualified military service to the United States.

k. Not dropped from the rolls, or separated from any of the Armed Forces of the United States with other than an honorable discharge.

l. Free of conviction by any type of military or civil court for other than minor traffic violations. Request for waiver may be made in the case of other minor violations which are nonrecurrent and which are not deemed prejudicial to performance of duty as an officer. Granting of waivers will not be considered for any individuals who have been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude.

m. Willing to apply for and accept a commission as a second lieutenant, Army Medical Specialist Corps, of the Army Reserve, and volunteer for a tour of active duty for 2 years, which will include the period of training.

4. Application. Application will consist of the following:

a. DA Form 61 (Application for Appointment) in duplicate. The words "Dietetic Internship," "Physical Therapy Course," or "Occupational Therapy Clinical Affiliation," whichever is appropriate, will be written in the blank line under "Type of Appointment for Which Application is Submitted" on page 1 of form. The remarks section (item 32) will contain the following statement by the applicant:

If I am accepted for participation in the training program, I agree to accept appointment as a second lieutenant, Army Medical Specialist Corps, of the Army Reserve, and to serve on active duty for a period of not less than 2 years, including my attendance in the Army Nurse Corps Officer Orientation Course and the professional course for which I have applied.

b. DD Form 398 (Statement of Personal History) in triplicate. Complete all items.

- (1) Under item 9, "Education," if not yet graduated, and list of courses to be completed prior to graduation.
- (2) Under item 20, "Remarks Section," list three instructors in major subjects qualified to comment on professional and personal qualifications of applicant.

c. Report of medical examination. Standard Form 88 (Report of Medical Examination) original only, and Standard Form 89 (Report of Medical History) in duplicate, and reports of consultation, if any, in duplicate. Such medical examination will be of the scope prescribed for appointment as set forth in paragraph 2b, AR 40-500, and will be accomplished at an Armed Forces medical installation.

d. DA Form 160 (Application for Active Duty) one copy. Individuals who submit applications for entering the programs will request to remain on active duty for 2 years, including time spent at the Army Nurse Corps Officer Orientation Course and the professional course.

e. DD Form 98 (Armed Forces Security Questionnaire) in duplicate. Applicants who fail or refuse to accomplish DD Form 98 in its entirety will be denied appointment. If the applicant completes DD Form 98 with qualifications or entries made thereon which provide reason for belief that appointment is not clearly consistent with the interest of national security, appointment will not be made without specific approval of the Secretary of the Army.

f. FD Form 258 (FBI U.S. Department of Justice Fingerprint) in duplicate. This form may be completed at any military facility or law enforcement agency.

g. DA Form 340 (Report of National Agency Check) six copies. Applicant will complete items 1 through 9, 11, and 12 and where applicable, items 15, 16, and 17. Item 18 should be used if necessary to give any pertinent data considered helpful to further identify and clarify information regarding applicant, including dates of military service where applicable.

h. For applicants who are members of a reserve component of another Armed Force, evidence that the applicant has submitted to the parent Armed Force a resignation or application for discharge contingent upon appointment in the Army Reserve under this program.

i. A recent photograph, head and shoulder type, not less than 3 by 5 inches.

j. Transcript of college records.

k. A short autobiography.

5. Forwarding of applications. Applications will be forwarded to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-MP, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D.C. Applicants still in attend-

ance at a college or university will forward applications through the dean or head of the department in which the applicant is undergoing major study, for completion of the first indorsement, DA Form 61.

6. Selection. Selection of applicants to participate in the training programs will be made by a board of officers designated by The Surgeon General. Applicants will be notified of their selection, selection as alternate or nonselection by The Surgeon General.

7. Acceptance. Within 5 days after notification of selection, applicant will be required to inform The Surgeon General of his (or her) acceptance or declination of training under one of these Army Medical Service Programs. Those selected individuals whose date of medical examination is in excess of 120 days prior to anticipated reporting date to duty will be required to accomplish the following statement:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, there has been no change in my physical condition subsequent to the last examination I took in conjunction with my application for appointment in the Army Medical Specialist Corps, Army Reserve, and participation in the _____ Program, and that I am not now suffering from any defect or deformity not then recorded.

(Applicant's signature)

8. Appointment in the Army Reserve. *a.* No person will be appointed under these regulations unless the individual has been the subject of a National Agency Check or investigation of broader scope conducted in accordance with AR 381-130

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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J. C. LAMBERT,
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and AR 381-131, which has been completed with favorable results.

b. Upon selection of an applicant pursuant to paragraph 6, The Surgeon General will forward the applications with allied papers to The Adjutant General who will tender appointments as second lieutenants, Army Medical Specialist Corps Branch, Army Reserve, and issue orders calling to active duty all individuals selected by The Surgeon General for these programs.

c. Reserve officers ordered to active duty under these programs whose medical examination was not accomplished within 1 year of their reporting to active duty, will, within the first 5 working days after having so reported, undergo a medical examination at their first duty station to determine their medical fitness as set forth in chapter 3, AR 40-501.

9. Appointment as temporary officers in the Army of the United States. *a.* Individuals who have reached their 18th but not their 21st birthday will be tendered appointment with concurrent active duty as temporary officer in the Army of the United States and procedure will be the same as prescribed in paragraph 13, AR 601-139.

10. Withdrawals. Any student may be withdrawn from these programs by authority of The Surgeon General for failure to meet the required standards of proficiency or for either unsatisfactory aptitude or ability at any time during the training period. Separation from one of the training programs will be cause for termination of commission.

G. H. DECKER,
General, United States Army,
Chief of Staff.

