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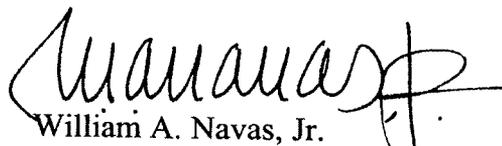
MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
(CIVILIAN HUMAN RESOURCES)
DIRECTOR, NAVY STAFF
DIRECTOR, MARINE CORPS STAFF
CHIEF, BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF CHIEF, BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY
(BUMED) AS DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY (DON) EDUCATIONAL
AND DEVELOPMENTAL INTERVENTION SERVICES (EDIS)
PROGRAM MANAGER

Effective immediately, this policy memorandum assigns Chief, BUMED as DON's EDIS Program Manager. This action gives Chief, BUMED authority to implement Department of Defense (DoD) EDIS guidelines contained in DoD Instruction 1342.12. Attachment (1) contains BUMED Instruction 1755.2, which cancels and supersedes Secretary of the Navy Instruction 1755.8 presently governing the DON EDIS program.

As EDIS Program Manager, Chief, BUMED is given authority to outline EDIS program policies applicable to all Navy and Marine Corps activities, including designation of specific program support responsibilities to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Civilian Human Resources), Chief of Naval Operations, Commandant of the Marine Corps, and Commander, Navy Personnel Command.

A viable DON EDIS program is an essential Quality of Life element for our service members and their families. Your full support and expertise is necessary to ensure the continued success of this crucial service.


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Attachment:
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Copy to:
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IN REPLY REFER TO
BUMEDINST 1755.2
BUMED-M32
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BUMED INSTRUCTION 1755.2

From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery
To: All Ships and Stations

Subj: EDUCATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL INTERVENTION SERVICES (EDIS)

Ref: (a) 20 USC 1400 et seq., Individuals With Disabilities
Education Act (IDEA)
(b) DOD Instruction 1010.13 with Change 1 of 2 Feb 1990
(c) DOD Instruction 1342.12 of 11 Apr 2005

1. Purpose

a. To implement references (a) through (c) within the Department of the Navy (DON).

b. To outline policies and responsibilities for EDIS as follows:

- (1) The implementation of EDIS within DON.
- (2) Compliance monitoring activities of EDIS.
- (3) Assignment coordination and Exceptional Family Member (EFM) Program enrollment for children of active duty service members who are receiving, or eligible to receive, IDEA-mandated services.
- (4) The provision of medical and educational information to DOD civilian employees and selectees who are not DOD civilian employees selected for overseas employment.

2. Applicability. This directive applies to all Navy and Marine Corps activities.

3. Discussion. Reference (b) directs the Military Departments to provide certain IDEA-mandated services. Such services are provided through EDIS programs within the DOD and include:

a. Early intervention services provided to eligible infants and toddlers with disabilities (birth to age 2 years inclusive) and their families.

b. Related services assigned to the military medical departments provided to children with disabilities (ages 3 to 21 inclusive) who are receiving, or eligible to receive, special education through the DOD.

4. Policy. It is DON policy to:

a. Establish EDIS programs that provide early intervention and related services assigned to the military medical departments in worldwide areas of geographic responsibility as assigned by the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (ASD(HA)).

b. Provide IDEA-mandated services with the same priority as medical care for active duty members.

c. Support DOD compliance monitoring activities of EDIS.

d. Grant Secretarial designee status to individuals entitled to receive early intervention and related services from Navy EDIS programs, but who are not military treatment facility (MTF) beneficiaries.

e. Coordinate and cooperate with other DOD components and outside agencies on matters pertaining to IDEA-mandated services.

f. Require family members of service members with overseas assignment orders to undergo screening to identify early intervention, special education, and related service requirements in addition to medical needs. This information is used for assignment coordination to ensure assignments are pinpointed to overseas locations where mandated services are available.

g. Grant command-sponsored travel to service members with children who are receiving, or eligible to receive, IDEA-mandated services.

(1) Command-sponsored assignments and travel cannot be denied because of non-availability of early intervention, special education services, or related services since these services are educational entitlements mandated by the IDEA.

(2) Command-sponsored assignments and travel can be denied when medical care deemed necessary to the health of the child is not available.

h. Enroll children who are receiving, or eligible to receive, early intervention, special education, or related services in the EFM Program.

i. Require civilian hiring authorities to query DOD civilian employees and non-DOD civilian selectees who are selected for overseas positions. The purpose of the query is to identify special education or medical requirements of accompanying family members.

(1) The special education or medical information is only used to provide the selected individual comprehensive information on available resources at the overseas location so that the individual may make an informed choice about accepting the position.

(2) Individuals are selected for positions outside the United States based on job requirements and merit factors under Title 5, United States Code. The fact that an individual has a family member with special education or medical needs cannot be the basis for non-selection for a position.

5. Responsibility

a. The Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) shall ensure subordinate commands develop and implement policies that are consistent with references (b) and (c) and this instruction.

b. The Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC) and the Commander, Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM) shall develop and implement policies and procedures that:

(1) Ensure suitability screening and EFM Program enrollment guidance address requirements for early intervention, special education, and related services for service members with children with disabilities.

(2) Pinpoint service members on accompanied assignments to overseas locations where necessary early intervention, special education, and related services are available.

(3) Ensure coordination and cooperation between Military Departments when considering assignments to locations where EDIS are the responsibility of another Military Department.

c. The CMC and the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Civilian Human Resources shall develop and implement policies and procedures for civilian hiring authorities who process DOD civilian employees and selectees who are not DOD civilian employees for overseas employment to ensure:

(1) Identification of early intervention, special education, related services requirements, or medical needs of accompanying family members.

(2) Coordination of any requirements with the gaining location to determine if necessary educational, EDIS, medical, or community resources are available.

(3) Provision of comprehensive information regarding available resources and costs to the civilian employee so that the selectee may make an informed choice about accepting the position.

d. The Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) shall:

(1) Allocate resources to fully meet the EDIS requirements of references (a) through (c) and this instruction.

(2) Establish EDIS programs that provide early intervention services to eligible children with disabilities at Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary School (DDESS) locations. DDESS locations where Navy has EDIS responsibility include: Dahlgren, Virginia; Quantico, Virginia; Camp Lejeune, North Carolina; Beaufort, South Carolina; and Guam.

(3) Establish EDIS programs that provide early intervention services, and related services assigned to the military medical departments, to eligible children with disabilities in support of Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DODDS) special education programs at assigned geographic areas of responsibility overseas.

(4) Ensure MTF commanders with responsibility for EDIS develop and implement programs, policies, and procedures that fully meet the requirements of references (a) and (b) and DON and BUMED guidance.

(5) Establish and implement procedures to monitor compliance with reference (b) to include program evaluation, on-site monitoring, technical assistance, and process improvement.

(6) Ensure that each program providing early intervention services is monitored for compliance at least once every 3 years per reference (b).

(7) Support DOD monitoring activities as follows:

(a) Exercise oversight of monitoring activities at Navy EDIS locations.

(b) As requested, assign qualified Navy personnel to monitoring teams and fund travel and per diem costs for Navy monitoring team members.

(c) Ensure MTF commanders assist the monitoring team with logistical support (accommodations, work space, and local transportation), provide technical assistance, when requested, and have pertinent records available for review.

(d) Implement monitoring team recommendations.

(8) Develop and implement procedures that address the:

(a) Identification of children with early intervention, special education, related services, or medical requirements during medical and dental suitability screening.

(b) Exchange of appropriate suitability determination information especially when another Military Department is responsible for providing EDIS.

(c) Enrollment of children who are receiving, or eligible to receive, early intervention, special education, and related services in the EFM Program.

(9) Ensure coordination and cooperation between BUMED and other DOD components and outside activities with regard to IDEA-mandated services, suitability screening, and EFM Program enrollment.



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