BUMED INSTRUCTION 6320.85A CHANGE TRANSMITTAL 1

From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

Subj: MEDICAL COGNIZANCE OF NAVY AND MARINE CORPS PATIENTS IN NON-NAVAL HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Encl: (1) Revised page 13

1. **Purpose.** To update the reports paragraph of the instruction.

2. **Action.** Remove page 13 of basic instruction and replace with enclosure (1) of this change transmittal.

3. **Retain.** For record purposes, keep this change transmittal in front of the basic instruction.

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member. Reference (p) outlines the payment process for supplemental care. A MTF may request health care from civilian sources if the care requested is necessary for the proper treatment and case management of the Service member (i.e., specialized diagnostic tests, consultations, etc). For the processing of claims when referrals were properly obtained per utilization management rules outlined in reference (p), the MTF will file a claim with the appropriate TRC for:

(1) All care Service members receive as part of a contractual agreement between the MTF and civilian providers.

(2) MTF requests for ambulance service transportation of Service members from their facility to another facility.

b. Funding for non-naval Healthcare. Medical and adjunctive dental care received by active duty Navy and Marine Corps Service members who are hospitalized or treated on an emergency basis, or with prior approval in civilian or DVAMC is paid by Supplemental Health Care Program (SHCP) funds when the MTF files a claim with the appropriate TRC. All non-emergent civilian and DVAMC outpatient medical care must be approved in advance. Dental care received by active duty Navy and Marine Corps Service members is paid by filing a claim with the active duty dental program. The TRC processes claims filed by the MTF as the result of a transfer to a DVAMC utilizing SHCP funds. For OCONUS civilian dental care treatment exceeding MTF capabilities within the responsibility of the MTF, consult with the Navy Medicine region PAD and TRICARE Offices.

13. Action. Commanding officers of MTFs assigned medical cognizance responsibilities shall ensure the provisions of this instruction are followed and the duties properly carried out. Although these duties are primarily administrative and patient supportive in nature, it may become necessary for the MTF to become involved in the clinical aspects of the Service member’s care. For this reason, it is essential that medical cognizance responsibilities be carried out as a team consisting of both administrative and clinical staff. MTF commanding officers and officers in charge must educate their local line commands on what to do should they receive notification of an active duty Service member in a non-naval hospital.

14. Records. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of media and format, shall be managed per SECNAV M-5210.1 of January 2012.

15. Reports. The reports required in this instruction, are exempt from reports control per SECNAV M-5214.1 of December 2005, part IV, paragraph 7k.

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