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From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

Subj: OCCUPATIONAL CODES FOR PERSONNEL RADIATION DOSE REPORTING

Ref: (a) NAVMED P-5055

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To add 2-digit codes to those contained in reference (a) which identify the occupation or employee category for personnel receiving radiation exposure from U.S. Navy programs.
- 2. <u>Scope and Applicability</u>. This notice applies to all entities using U.S. Navy radiation dosimetry programs, including software and database structures used to facilitate personnel radiation dose tracking and reporting.
- 3. <u>Background</u>. Under the trilateral Australia-United Kingdom-United States (AUKUS) Foreign Military Sales (FMS) agreement, Australia is establishing a submarine nuclear propulsion program. Establishing occupational codes unique to Australian personnel that will be trained by the U.S. Navy nuclear enterprise is necessary to allow for separation of the radiation dose received by Australian personnel.

4. Action

- a. U.S. Navy stakeholders using occupational codes found in NAMED P-5055, article 5-16 of reference (a) must add the listed occupational codes, and use those codes to document the applicable radiation dose accrued by Australian personnel:
 - 60: Royal Australian Navy Nuclear Propulsion (Radiation Worker)
 - 61: Royal Australian Navy Nuclear Propulsion (Non-Radiation Worker)
 - 62: Royal Australian Navy Nuclear Propulsion (Visitor)
 - 63: Royal Australian Navy Radiation Worker (Medical, Industrial, Research)
 - 64: Royal Australian Navy Non-Radiation Worker (Medical, Industrial, Research)
- b. Exposure received by Australian personnel as part of the AUKUS FMS agreement which was previously documented under a different reporting category must be updated to reflect the new occupational codes.
- c. Using the new occupational codes ensures accurate accounting of Australian personnel radiation exposure as well as ensures proper record identification to support future transmission of dose information once Australia establishes a radiation health and dose recording system.

5. Records Management

a. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of format or media, must be maintained and dispositioned per the records disposition schedules located on the DON Assistant for Administration, Directives and Records Management Division portal page at https://portal.secnav.navy.mil/orgs/DUSNM/DONAA/DRM/Records-and-InformationManagement/Approved%20Record%20Schedules/Forms/AllItems.aspx.

b. For questions concerning the management of records related to this instruction or the records disposition schedules, please contact the local records manager or the OPNAV Records Management Program (DNS-16).

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