

**SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES TO
DoD 7000.14-R, VOLUME 7A, CHAPTER 63
"ACCESSION AND CONTINUATION BONUSES FOR NURSE OFFICER
CANDIDATES"**

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Title	Accession and Continuation Bonus for Nurse Officer Candidates.	Update
630401	Accession Bonus increased to \$10,000.	Update
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CHAPTER 63

ACCESSION AND CONTINUATION BONUSES FOR NURSE OFFICER CANDIDATES6301 AUTHORITY

★ The Secretaries concerned (or designees) are authorized to provide financial assistance to full-time students enrolled in an accredited baccalaureate degree program in nursing to assist in the completion of degree requirements and acceptance of an appointment as a nurse officer.

6302 ELIGIBLE STUDENTS

★ The Accession and Continuation Bonuses are authorized for nursing students who execute an agreement under the following conditions:

630201. The student is enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited baccalaureate degree program in nursing at a civilian educational institution that does not have a Senior Reserve Officer's Training Corps (SROTC) program established under Title 10, United States Code (U.S.C.), section 2102 by the Secretary concerned (or designee), or that has a SROTC for which the student is ineligible and will complete this nursing degree program.

630202. The student has completed the second year of an accredited baccalaureate degree program in nursing and has more than 6 months of academic work remaining before graduation.

630203. The student meets the qualifications for appointment as an officer of a Reserve Component of the Army, Navy, or Air Force, as set forth in 10 U.S.C. 12201 and the regulations of the Military Department concerned.

6303 AGREEMENT

The student described in section 6302 will execute a written agreement which must include the following:

630301. Agreement to complete the nursing degree program as stated in paragraph 630201.

630302. Agreement that, upon acceptance of the agreement by the Secretary concerned (or designee), the student will enlist in a Reserve Component of the Armed Forces.

630303. Agreement that the student will accept an appointment as an officer in the Nurse Corps of the Army or the Navy or as an officer designated as a nurse officer in the Air Force, as the case may be, upon graduation from the nursing degree program.

630304. Agreement that the individual will serve on active duty as an officer as follows:

A. For a period of 4 years in the case of a person whose agreement was accepted by the Secretary concerned (or designee) during that person's fourth year of the nursing degree program.

B. For a period of 5 years in the case of a person whose agreement was accepted by the Secretary concerned (or designee) during that person's third year of the nursing degree program.

6304 AMOUNTS PAYABLE

★ 630401. Accession Bonus. The Secretary (or designee) may, upon acceptance of the written agreement, pay an accession bonus to an eligible person in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. The bonus will be paid in periodic installments, as determined by the Secretary concerned (or designee) at the time the agreement is accepted, except that the first installment may not exceed \$10,000.

630402. Continuation Bonus. In addition to the accession bonus, the student shall be entitled to a monthly continuation bonus of an amount not to exceed the stipend rate in effect under 10 U.S.C. 2121(d) for each month that the individual is enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited baccalaureate degree program in nursing. The continuation bonus may be paid for not more than 24 months.

NOTE: The accession and continuation bonus is subject to Federal income tax withholding and is not subject to Federal Insurance Contribution Act.

6305 REPAYMENT

★ A person shall be subject to the repayment provisions of 37 U.S.C. 303a(e) and Chapter 2 of this volume if he or she:

630501. Does not complete a nursing degree program in which the person is enrolled in accordance with the agreement entered into under this chapter;

630502. Having completed a nursing degree program, does not become an officer in the Nurse Corps of the Army or the Navy or an officer designated as a nurse officer of the Air Force; or

630503. Does not complete the period of obligated active service required under the agreement.

6306 TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY

★ No agreement under this section may be entered into after December 31, 2009 unless this bonus authority is reauthorized by the Congress.

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