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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CHAPTER 63

ACCESSION AND CONTINUATION BONUSES FOR NURSE OFFICER CANDIDATES

6301 AUTHORITY

The Secretaries concerned 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 <u>ELIGIBLE STUDENTS</u>

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 <u>Title 10</u>, <u>United States Code (U.S.C.)</u>, <u>section 2102</u> by the Secretary concerned, 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 <u>10 U.S.C. 12201</u> 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, 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 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 during that person's third year of the nursing degree program.

6304 AMOUNTS PAYABLE

- 630401. <u>Accession Bonus</u>. The Secretary concerned 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 at the time the agreement is accepted, except that the first installment may not exceed \$10,000.
- 630402. <u>Continuation Bonus</u>. 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 <u>10 U.S.C. 2121(d)</u> 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 *Chapter 2* 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 DURATION OF AUTHORITY

Unless authorized by the Congress, no agreement under this section may be entered into after December 31, 2011.

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