FOR: CIVILIAN PERSONNEL POLICY COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: Defense Civilian Personnel Advisory Service Director, Ms. Michelle LoweSolis

SUBJECT: Extension for ID Card Operations for COVID-19

ACTION: Disseminate to all Department of Defense Human Resources Practitioners


BACKGROUND/INTENT: In accordance with the attached memorandum, and due to the continued spread of COVID-19, the temporary policy guidance set to expire September 20, 2020, is extended through June 30, 2021, for Uniformed Services ID cards expiring January 1, 2020, through June 20, 2021. For additional information please visit https://www.cac.mil/Coronavirus.

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Attachment:
As stated
MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERSHIP (SEE DISTRIBUTION)  
COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS  
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DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS  

SUBJECT: Policy Guidance Extension for Identification Card Operations for COVID-19  

References:  
(a) Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Memorandum, “Policy Guidance for Identification Card Operations for COVID-19,” April 7, 2020  
(b) Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Memorandum, “Additional Procedures for Department of Defense Identification Cards for COVID-19,” April 16, 2020  

In responding to COVID-19, the Department has demonstrated its commitment to ensuring the health and safety of all DoD personnel and beneficiaries, and ensuring their continued access to DoD healthcare and authorized benefits.  

Due to the continued spread of COVID-19, and the Department’s limited ability to return Identification (ID) Card facilities to normal operations while complying with all safety precautions, I am extending the temporary policy guidance at reference (a) through June 30, 2021, for Uniformed Services ID cards expiring January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The guidance at reference (b) will expire on September 30, 2020, due to the high rate of Common Access Card reissuance and low rate of certificate extensions.  

The Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System will continue to be the authoritative source to verify statutory eligibility to DoD healthcare and other benefits. Please visit https://www.cac.mil/Coronavirus for additional information, or contact the Defense Manpower Data Center Identity and ID Card Policy Team at dhrcapolicy@mail.mil.  

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