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Subject: Introduction of new PEO DHMS Leadership

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Our unchanged mission is to fundamentally and positively impact the health outcomes of active duty military personnel, veterans and their beneficiaries. At the Program Executive Office (PEO) level and above, we are committed to accomplishing our mission in the most efficient and effective way possible. This starts with staff selections that can help meet our goals, while staying on schedule and on budget.

We have started to bring in government personnel with the right talents and background to round out our skills and to make our programs successful. No matter how solid our business strategies may be, at the end of the day it's the people who develop, execute and manage those strategies that we count on. Five new key staff members are:

Captain John H. Windom will be the PEO's new DHMSM Program Manager (PM). He is uniquely qualified and positioned to support DHMSM efforts after recently leading the requirements development and source selection processes for the Department of the Navy's (DoN) recently awarded multi-billion Next Generation Enterprise Network (NGEN) in support of PEO Enterprise Information System (PEO-EIS) and Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR). CAPT Windom is well-versed in the overall acquisition and peer review processes. These skills will help guide the PEO DHMS portfolio through efficient and effective requirements development, Request for Proposal (RFP) and Source Selection processes. CAPT Windom has a B.S in Electronics Engineering from the University of Memphis and a Master's Degree from the Eli Broad School of Business at Michigan State University. He has over 20 years of valuable Acquisition and Contracting experience and has been a member of the Acquisition Professional Community (APC) for more than 10 years. His qualifications include Naval Aviation Supply Officer, Surface Warfare Supply Corps Officer, Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Level 3 Certification (Contracting), 1308-P-Code and 1306-S-Code. CAPT Windom deployed as the Theater Administrative Contracting Officer (TACO) in support of Iraq/Afghanistan/Kuwait and again as the lead for an OSD-mandated task force.

Colonel Thomas W. Greig, MD, MPH, and MSIST, will be the PEO DoD Healthcare Management System Modernization (DHMSM) Chief Medical Information Officer.

He has served as the Chief Medical Information Officer for the Department of Defense since 2011. In this position, COL Greig is responsible for all aspects of clinic information systems in the DOD and is the Clinical Informatics Consultant for the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs. He serves as an advocate for all providers in the Military Health System and as the DOD co-chair of the Interagency Clinical Informatics Board and is the DoD representative to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONCHIT) Policy Committee. From 2005-2011, COL Greig was the Director of Clinical Informatics for the DOD. From 2000 to 2005 he was Director of the U.S. Army Aeromedical Activity. He was awarded the Army Surgeon General's 2005 Excalibur Award for building and deploying the AERO, a cloud-based electronic flight physical which is now the standard for the Army, Navy and Coast Guard. COL Greig has served as a Brigade Flight Surgeon, Clinic Commander, and as hospital chief of Primary Care, both overseas and in the United States. Prior to becoming a physician, he was a plant manager for Kodak and a quality manager for Baxter International. COL Greig holds a B.S. in Microbiology from Purdue University, an M.D. from the University of Tennessee, an M.P.H. in Healthcare Policy from Johns Hopkins University, and an M.S. in Information Science Technology from George Washington University.

Heather Burke will be the PEO's Chief Engineer. As a SPAWAR Systems Center (SSC) Atlantic employee, she has experience both as an assistant PM and as Chief Engineer of two major programs. She has experience with joint programs from working the initial proof of concept through standing up the program of record, source selection processes for contract award and technical implementation of the program. Heather also has experienced the acquisition rigor and documentation required to move a program through the various milestones (e.g., Acquisitions Strategy, CARD, Build Decisions). In her most recent position, Chief Engineer for the Global Theater Security Cooperation Management Information System (ACAT III), Heather led the technical team as they transitioned the Joint community from various legacy systems onto a single enterprise baseline with authoritative data system(s) integration. She earned a [B.S.in](#) Computer Engineering from Clemson University. Her professional credentials include DAWIA Systems Planning, Research, Development, and Engineering - Systems Engineering (SPRDE) Level 3 and DAWIA Test and Evaluation Level 1 Certifications.

Steve Harnig will be the PEO's Senior Contracts Subject Matter Expert and DHMSM Procuring Contracting Officer (PCO). He will support the PEO and DHMSM as an SSC Atlantic employee. At SSC Atlantic, Steve is the Competency Lead for all Pre-Award contract actions. He has over 20 years of experience, and served as the Contracting Officer on acquisitions at various Navy System Commands. He has DAWIA Level 3 certification in Contracting, is a certified member of the Acquisition Professional community, and is a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt. He graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Central Florida with a Business degree. Steve also obtained a Master degree in Acquisition Management from American Graduate University. His experience

and skills will help him lead the PEO overall contracting strategy and DHMSM acquisition from planning through contract execution.

Gregory H. Whitten was selected to be the PEO's Chief of Legislative Affairs for the next six months. He is on loan to us from USD AT&L to help us develop strategies to provide timely and understandable information to Congressional oversight committees and individual elected officials that are interested in the PEO's mission. Greg has significant experience leading the development of legislative strategies and executing Congressional engagements on a number of complex programs and initiatives that, like the PEO DHMS, dealt with acquisition development. He has a Bachelor Degree from the University of Arizona in Public Policy and Political Science and has a Joint Senior Leaders certificate in Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) Defense.

Verlin Hardin, who has been dual-hatted since June as DHMSM PM, has returned to his position at Defense Health Agency as the Transition Director for the Transition Application Plan.

Please join me in thanking Verlin for his leadership here during a critical time and in welcoming CAPT Windom, COL Greig, Heather, Steve and Greg to the PEO DHSM team. We are one team, and together we will succeed.

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