

ALARACT 031/2024

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SUBJ/ALARACT 031/2024 - REQUESTING NOMINATIONS FOR THE SURGEON GENERAL'S ANNUAL PHYSICIAN RECOGNITION AWARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

THIS ALARACT MESSAGE HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED BY JSP ON BEHALF OF HQDA OTSG//DASG-MC

1. (U) REFERENCES:

1.A. (U) AR 351-3, PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS OF THE ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

1.B. (U) AR 600-8-2, SUSPENSION OF FAVORABLE PERSONNEL ACTIONS (FLAG)

1.C. (U) AR 600-9, THE ARMY BODY COMPOSITION PROGRAM

2. (U) SITUATION: THE SURGEON GENERAL'S (TSG's) ANNUAL PHYSICIAN RECOGNITION AWARD (PRA) (TSG-PRA) PROVIDES PERSONAL RECOGNITION BY TSG TO AN ARMY PHYSICIAN WHO HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO MILITARY MEDICINE. THE ANNUAL AWARD IS INTENDED TO INCREASE PHYSICIAN MOTIVATION FOR EXCEPTIONAL JOB PERFORMANCE. THE AWARD PROGRAM APPLIES TO ALL ARMY COMMANDS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE ACTIVE-DUTY (AD) PHYSICIANS ASSIGNED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS. RECIPIENTS TRAVEL WILL BE FUNDED TO RECEIVE THE AWARD AT THE JOINT GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION (GME) SELECTION BOARD.

3. (U) MISSION: NO LATER THAN 30 AUGUST 2024, UNITS THAT HAVE PHYSICIANS ASSIGNED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS WILL NOMINATE ARMY AD PHYSICIANS FOR TSG-PRA FOR CALENDAR YEAR (CY) 2024. ON SEPTEMBER 2024, THE ARMY MEDICAL CORPS (MC) CHIEF WILL CONVENE A SELECTION BOARD OF SENIOR MC PHYSICIANS WHO WILL MAKE AN ORDER OF MERIT LIST (OML) RECOMMENDATION TO THE MC CHIEF. THE MC CHIEF WILL SEND THE OML WITH THEIR ENDORSEMENT TO TSG.

4. (U) EXECUTION:

4.A. (U) ELIGIBILITY/SELECTION CRITERIA.

4.A.1. (U) WITH THE EXCEPTION OF OFFICERS IN THE GME PROGRAM, ANY AD ARMY PHYSICIAN IN THE GRADE OF CAPTAIN THROUGH LIEUTENANT COLONEL MAY BE NOMINATED FOR THE TSG-PRA. AN OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE OFFICER CURRENTLY IN THE ARMY GME PROGRAM MAY BE NOMINATED FOR EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE AS A MILITARY PHYSICIAN BEFORE ENTERING GME TRAINING.

4.A.2. (U) PRIOR AWARD RECIPIENTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.

4.A.3. (U) NOMINEE MUST HAVE AT LEAST 1 YEAR OF SERVICE REMAINING AT THE TIME OF NOMINATION.

4.B. (U) RESPONSIBILITIES:

4.B.1. (U) TSG IS THE AWARDDING AUTHORITY.

4.B.2. (U) COMMANDERS AT ALL LEVELS WILL IDENTIFY POTENTIAL RECIPIENTS AND SUBMIT NOMINATIONS ACCORDINGLY. STAFF SURGEONS AT ALL MAJOR AND SUBORDINATE NON-MEDICAL COMMAND HEADQUARTERS WILL ASSIST COMMANDERS IN THIS REGARD. WITH CONCURRENCE OF THESE COMMANDERS, NOMINATIONS MAY BE SUBMITTED BY STAFF SURGEONS. COMMANDERS WILL PUBLICIZE THE AWARD AND ITS RECIPIENT WHEN ANNOUNCED, EMPHASIZING DUTY PERFORMANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO MILITARY MEDICINE (WITHIN SECURITY AND PRIVACY ACT REQUIREMENTS).

4.C. (U) A COMPLETE NOMINATION PACKET WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS, IN ORDER, IN A SINGLE PDF FILE, (DO NOT SEND AS A PORTFOLIO): 1-NOMINATION MEMORANDUM; 2-COMMANDER'S ENDORSEMENT (IF NOMINATED BY A STAFF SURGEON, ANY LEVEL COMMANDER MAY ENDORSE); 3-NARRATIVE SUMMARY; 4-CURRICULUM VITAE; AND 5-REDACTED SOLDIER TALENT PROFILE WITHOUT DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PHOTO, GENDER, RACE, ETHNICITY, RELIGION, OR MARITAL STATUS.

4.C.1. (U) NOMINATION MEMORANDUM WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

4.C.1.A. (U) RANK, GRADE, AND FULL NAME OF NOMINEE.

4.C.1.B. (U) DUTY ASSIGNMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF ASSIGNMENT.

4.C.1.C. (U) INCLUSIVE DATES OF RECOMMENDATION. NOMINATIONS WILL BE MADE FOR DUTY PERFORMANCE IN CY 2023.

4.C.1.D. (U) CONTACT EMAIL AND PHONE NUMBER (GOVERNMENT AND ALTERNATE) OF NOMINEE.

4.C.1.E. (U) STATEMENT THAT THE NOMINEE HAS AT LEAST 1 YEAR OF AD SERVICE REMAINING AFTER SELECTION AND IS NOT A PREVIOUS RECIPIENT OF THIS AWARD.

4.C.1.F. (U) STATEMENT THAT THE NOMINEE IS NOT FLAGGED OR UNDER THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE ACTIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH AR 600–8–2, AND THAT THE NOMINEE IS WITHIN AR 600–9 STANDARDS (NOMINEE MEETS HEIGHT/WEIGHT AND/OR PASSES THE TAPE TEST).

4.C.2. (U) NARRATIVE SUMMARY SHOULD PROVIDE SPECIFIC AND FACTUAL INFORMATION, GIVE CONCRETE EXAMPLES OF EXACTLY WHAT THE INDIVIDUAL DID, DESCRIBE HOW IT WAS DONE, WHAT BENEFITS OR RESULTS WERE REALIZED, AND STATE WHY SUCH RESULTS MERIT RECOGNITION BY TSG. NARRATIVE SUMMARY SHOULD NOT EXCEED TWO DOUBLE-SPACED TYPED PAGES WITH ARIAL FONT, 12-POINT TYPE, AND SHOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED.

4.C.3. (U) NOMINATION SUBMISSION:

4.C.3.A. (U) SEND COMPLETED PACKETS DIRECTLY TO: TSG CONSULTANT PROGRAM OFFICE, JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO, U.S. ARMY MEDICAL COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, MCHO-CL-C, 2450 CONNELL ROAD, BUILDING 2264, SUITE 34; OR EMAIL PACKET TO: USARMY.JBSA.MEDCOM.MBX.TSG-CONSULTANT-PROGRAM@HEALTH.MIL.

4.C.3.B. (U) WHEN ASSEMBLING THE DOCUMENTS, DIGITALLY COMBINE FILES IN ADOBE AS ONE CONTINUOUS DOCUMENT. DO NOT COMBINE AS A PORTFOLIO.

4.C.3.C. (U) NOMINATION PACKETS MUST ARRIVE AT THE OFFICE OF THE MC CHIEF NO LATER THAN 30 AUGUST 2024.

5. (U) TSG-PRA POINTS OF CONTACT:

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6. (U) THIS ALARACT MESSAGE EXPIRES ON 30 NOVEMBER 2024.