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SUBJ: COMPREHENSIVE DENTISTRY RESIDENCY

1. The Health, Safety, and Work-Life Directorate is soliciting applications for the FY-2014 Dental Officer Comprehensive Dentistry Residency training program. Applications shall be submitted through the e-resume process. Please visit the Commander, Personnel Service Center (PSC) tutorial website for more detailed instructions on completing the e-resume:

<http://www.uscg.mil/psc/opm/opm1/opm-1pg.asp>.

2. The Coast Guard (CG) sponsored Comprehensive Dentistry Residency training program is held at the Naval Postgraduate Dental School, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland.

This American Dental Association accredited program will last 24 months starting July 2014 and ending July 2016. A certificate from the Navy will be awarded at the completion of the training program.

This program is designed primarily for dental officers with 1 to 8 years of clinical experience who desire to learn comprehensive treatment planning for complex cases, develop a high degree of proficiency in all aspects of dental practice, and prepare themselves to become future teachers and mentors. The curriculum also includes courses to educate dental officers in contingency roles, military leadership, and personnel management. Graduates of this program will also be eligible to earn a masters degree in science from the uniform services university of health sciences. The graduate of this program will incur an obligated service payback of three months for each month of education for the first year and one for one thereafter for a total obligated service of 4 years. The successful graduate of this rigorous and time-demanding program will also be eligible for a multiyear retention bonus, if available. During the second year, the graduate is expected to challenge the written portion of the American Board of General Dentistry and, if successful, the oral and treatment planning section the following year. Certification by this board will enable the graduate to receive board certified pay.

3. Positive endorsements from members Commanding Officer (CO), Senior Dental Executive, and the Health Safety Work-Life Service Center is required. The E-interview is required for all Advanced Education (Adv Ed) programs and shall contain a written opinion of the applicants interests, ability, and potential value to the service relating to the required curricula. Only endorsements from the immediate command are authorized. Commanding Officers should choose (make offer) to positively endorse a member's application. Any member that does not receive a positive endorsement will not be eligible to compete. Commanding officers should ensure that they click on the button MARK AS FINAL for the members application to be considered complete. These endorsements may be made for sector personnel by a designated CO of Military Personnel. Please visit the

(psc) tutorial website for more detailed instructions on completing the E-interview: <http://www.uscg.mil/psc/opm/opm1/opm-1pg.asp>.

4. For detailed instructions regarding the submission of the Adv Ed application package please view the Commander (PSC-OPM) advanced education website: <http://www.uscg.mil/psc/opm/opm1/opm-1pg.asp>. The package should include:

A. Two letters of recommendation from Public Health Service, Coast Guard, or Department of Defense dentists who are familiar with the applicants dental experience.

B. A self-composed, typed letter of intention (250 words or less) expressing the reasons for desiring to attend this training program in comprehensive dentistry.

C. Dental school transcript (provided by applicant). The primary and preferred method to receive the applicants complete package (including transcripts, letters of recommendations and letter of intent) is: one scanned pdf document via e-mail. Applicants should include their full name and emplid in the subject line. Please address those packages to YN3 Benjamin May, Benjamin.A.May(AT)uscg.mil and LT Nicolas Sites, Nicolas.S.Sites(AT)uscg.mil. Do not send packages via regular mail.

6. Prerequisites for this program include:

A. United States Public Health Services Dental Officer assigned to the CG with at least 2 years on active duty in the CG and rank of CDR or below.

B. Applicant should have placed in the upper half of graduating class from dental school. Applicant must provide transcript from dental school.

7. The application deadline for e-resume submission is 15 July 2013.

8. Adv ed selection panels will meet no later than September 2013.

Each panel includes the appropriate assignment officer, the responsible program manager, and one or more additional members.

Selection panels are guided by the panel precept and base their decisions on information in official records and applications.

9. Additional information on eligibility requirements, prerequisites, and application procedures may be obtained by contacting CAPT Donald Belcher, program manager (CG-1122), at 202-475-5180. Questions regarding the processing of postgraduate/advanced education applications should be directed to

YN3 Benjamin May, Commander (PSC-OPM-1), at (703) 872-6436.

10. CAPT Deborah R. Noyes, Chief, Office of Health Services, sends.

11. Internet release is authorized.

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