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SUBJ: SELECTED RESERVE SELRES DENTAL SCREENING INITIATIVE PILOT
PROGRAM A. COMDT COGARD WASHINGTON DC 241529Z JUN 09/ALCOAST 370/09

1. ANNUAL SCREENING DENTAL EXAMS ARE REQUIRED FOR READINESS.

THESE EXAMINATIONS ARE A FULLY COVERED BENEFIT UNDER THE TRICARE
DENTAL PROGRAM (TDP) AND MOST CIVILIAN DENTAL PLANS.

IN ADDITION, COAST GUARD (CG) DENTAL TREATMENT FACILITIES (DTF) MAY
PERFORM THE ANNUAL DENTAL SCREENING FOR SELRES MEMBERS. SELRES
MEMBERS ARE NO LONGER AUTHORIZED TO OBTAIN REIMBURSABLE DENTAL
EXAMINATIONS BY THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WORK-LIFE SUPPORT ACTIVITY
(HSWL SUPACT). SELRES MEMBERS WITHOUT DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE AND
WHO ARE REMOTE (50 PLUS MILES) FROM A CG DTF MAY PARTICIPATE IN
THE RESERVE HEALTH READINESS PROGRAM (RHRP) DENTAL SCREENING.
ACTIVE DUTY MEMBERS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THIS PROGRAM, HOWEVER CAN
PARTICIPATE IN THE AD DENTAL PROGRAM (SEE REF. A).

2. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, SELRES MEMBERS (ON ORDERS FOR 30 DAYS OR
LESS) WITH LAST NAMES BEGINNING WITH A THRU F WHO MEET THE
REQUIREMENTS IN PARAGRAPH 1 ARE AUTHORIZED TO CONTACT THE RESERVE
HEALTH READINESS PROGRAM (RHRP) DENTAL SCREENING NUMBER AT
1-888-697-4299 TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT WITH A CONTRACT DENTIST
FOR A DENTAL SCREENING EXAMINATION. THIS PROGRAM WILL BE EXPANDED
TO SELRES MEMBERS (ON ORDERS FOR 30 DAYS OR LESS) WITH LAST NAMES
BEGINNING WITH G THRU Z ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2009.

A. AFTER MAKING THE APPOINTMENT, A DENTAL INFORMATION PACKAGE WILL
BE SENT TO THE MEMBER.

B. MEMBERS MUST BRING THE PACKAGE WITH THEM TO THEIR APPOINTMENT.
DO NOT BRING YOUR DENTAL RECORD.

C. AFTER THE DENTAL EXAMINATION AND SCREENING, ALL PAPERWORK WILL
BE SENT BY THE CONTRACTOR TO THE MEMBERS HEALTH RECORD CUSTODIAN.

D. MEMBERS MUST CONTACT THE RHRP DENTAL SCREENING NUMBER AT
1-888-697-4299 IF THEY NEED TO CHANGE THEIR DENTAL APPOINTMENT.

E. THE CONTRACT ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF WILL INPUT DENTAL INFORMATION
INTO THE DENCAS SYSTEM FOR UPLOADING INTO CGBI FOR TRACKING AND
READINESS PURPOSES.

3. THIS DENTAL SCREENING EXAMINATION WILL BE AT NO COST TO THE
SELRES MEMBER.

4. SELRES MEMBERS MAY USE ONE READINESS MANAGEMENT PERIOD
(RMP) FOR THIS SCREENING. IF A CONTRACT DENTIST IS OFFERED BEYOND
50 MILES OF THE MEMBERS HOME OR WORK ADDRESS, PLEASE CONTACT
DISTRICT DXR FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT.

5. THIS DENTAL SCREENING IS SEPARATE FROM THE PERIODIC HEALTH
ASSESSMENT AND IT DOES NOT HAVE TO ALIGN WITH THE MEMBERS BIRTH
MONTH.

6. DENTAL TREATMENT OR CLEANING IS NOT AUTHORIZED WITH THIS
INITIATIVE. ALL DENTAL FOLLOW UP CARE AND TREATMENT ARE THE
RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SELRES MEMBER. THEREFORE, IF DENTAL CLASS
3, TREATMENT MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE MEMBER IN ORDER TO BECOME
DENTALLY READY (GREEN).

7. FOR RESERVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS INCLUDING TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
QUESTIONS, CONTACT LTJG PATRICK O'DONNELL, (COMDT CG-1311) AT
(202)475-5432 OR PATRICK.G.ODONNELL(AT)USCG.MIL. FOR QUESTIONS
REGARDING THIS INITIATIVE, CONTACT CDR ERICA SCHWARTZ, (COMDT
CG-1121) AT (202)475-5172, OR ERICA.G.SCHWARTZ(AT)USCG.MIL OR CAPT
HSIAO PENG, HSWL SUPACT, AT (510) 637-1229, OR HSI AO. P. PENG(AT)
USCG. MIL.

8. RADM MARK J. TEDESCO, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH, SAFETY AND WORK-LIFE
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