

## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 162nd Fighter Wing, (ANG) (AETC) TUCSON ARIZONA

## MEMORANDUM FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

FROM: 162OG/IMSO

1660 E El Tigre Way Tucson AZ 85706-6050

SUBJECT: Medical Benefits

- 1. During your training at the 162 FW, Tucson, AZ your dependents are authorized to receive medical care at Davis-Monthan AFB (DMAFB) Medical Clinic upon availability only. DMAFB does not have a medical hospital, which means they can't admit patients for overnight stay, perform operations, or act as an urgent care or emergency room. Please be aware that ITO's may vary on medical procedures.
- 2. Because you are on flying status your dependents may make appointments at the flight surgeons office extension (520) 228-2721, prior to making appointment, please contact the IMSO office for further instruction. IMSO needs to make sure your ITO has been entered into the proper database first or else appointments cannot be made. IMSO can also assist you in making the appointments; sometimes this is the easiest process for all involved. Dependents may not be seen during sick call hours (0730 0830 and 1300 –1330) these times are for military flyers only. If there are no appointments available and it is urgent to be seen you may request to be seen on a space available or a standby-basis. Space available or standby-basis means you may have to wait in the flight surgeons waiting area until there is an available time for the doctor to work you between patients that have scheduled appointments or you may take the place of an appointment that has been canceled.
- 3. If immediate medical attention is needed for your dependent you must see a civilian physician in the Tucson civilian community. Either you call a physician for an appointment or you go to the nearest emergency room or urgent care facility. This will be done at your own expense. Please remember, all flyers that decide to bring dependents to the United States are required to show proof of supplemental insurance for their family members. If supplemental insurance has not been obtained, this may be a disqualifying factor to you as a flyer and you may be sent home.
- 4. Dental appointments at DMAFB are for military members only. We can assist you in locating a dental office in the community. They are also listed in the Qwest Dex (Tucson Yellow Pages) under Dentist.
- 5. Optometry appointments at DMAFB are for military members only. We can assist you in locating an optometrist office in the community. They are also listed in the Qwest Dex (Tucson Yellow Pages) under Optometrists.
- 6. You will have to contact your country to verify their reimbursement procedures for dependent medical care. Your dependents are not eligible for the U.S. military Tricare program. This means the U.S. Military will not pay for medical care completed in the civilian community. DMAFB Medical Clinic cannot refer your dependents to an off-base physician at U.S. expense.
- 7. If you require an ambulance call 9-1-1. This is the emergency response number for Tucson and will result in the most expedient assistance from an ambulance, police, and the fire department.

- 8. You can select from a variety of physicians in the community from the Qwest Dex (Tucson Yellow Pages) or the list provided to you by your supplemental insurance company. Please make sure to contact your supplemental insurance company upon arrival so you can receive the list of providers available to you, before you may need them in an emergency situation. Names will be listed under the heading of physicians. Or you can select one of the physicians who have their own private practice and belong to the 162FW as an Air National Guard Member. The IMSO office can direct you to the physician you need.
- 9. A friendly reminder to all pilots, please contact the IMSO office if you need an appointment made or if you are ill and plan on making your own appointment. It is IMSO's responsibility to make sure we follow up on your health status and know if you have been put on DNIF and when you are taken off DNIF. Please bring your DNIF paperwork to the IMSO office as soon as possible, if you go home after your appointment, please be sure to call IMSO and let us know that you have been put on DNIF. If you feel sick, please remember that if you want to be taken off the flying schedule, you will be asked to go to the doctor and provide the appropriate squadron with the AF 1042 stating that you are on DNIF. Sick call hours for the Flight Surgeons office at DMAFB are from 0730-0830 and 1300-1330. You must pick up medical records here at the ANG base. Please do not leave your medical records at DMAFB for any reason.
- 10. If you have any questions or concerns on the Medical Procedures please contact the IMSO office for assistance.

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I understand and acknowledge receipt.		
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