(TDA 2000), Public Law (Pub. L.) 106–200, as amended by Division B, Title XXI, section 3108 of the Trade Act of 2002, Public Law 107–210; Section 7(b)(2) of the AGOA Acceleration Act of 2004, Public Law 108–274; Division D, Title VI, section 6002 of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 (TRHCA 2006), Public Law 109–432, and section 1 of The African Growth and Opportunity Amendments (Pub. L. 112–163), August 10, 2012; Presidential Proclamation 7350 of October 2, 2000 (65 FR 59321); Presidential Proclamation 7626 of November 13, 2002 (67 FR 69459); Title I, Section 103(b)(2) and (3) of the Trade Preferences Extension Act of 2015, Public Law 114–27, June 29, 2015; Division I, Section 5019 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026 (Pub. L. 119–75); and Division B, Section 2008 of the Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2027 (Pub. L. 119–103).

Title I of TDA 2000 provides for duty-free treatment for certain textile and apparel articles imported from designated beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries. Section 112(b)(3) of TDA 2000 provides duty-free treatment for apparel articles wholly assembled in one or more beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries from fabric wholly formed in one or more beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries from yarn originating in the United States or one or more beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries or former beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries, subject to quantitative limitations. This preferential treatment is also available for apparel articles assembled in one or more lesser-developed beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries, regardless of the country of origin of the fabric used to make such articles, subject to quantitative limitation. Public Law 119–103 extended preferential treatment under these programs through December 31, 2028.

The AGOA Acceleration Act of 2004 provides that the quantitative limitation will be an amount not to exceed seven percent of the aggregate square meter equivalents of all apparel articles imported into the United States in the preceding 12-month period for which data are available. *See* Section 112(b)(3)(A)(ii)(I) of TDA 2000, as amended by Section 2008(b)(2) of the Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2027. Of this overall amount, apparel imported during the same period under the special rule for lesser-developed countries is limited to an amount not to exceed 3.5 percent of all apparel articles imported into the United States in the preceding 12-month period for which data are available. *See* Section 112(b)(3)(B)(ii)(II) of TDA 2000, as amended by Section 2008(b)(3) of the Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2027. Presidential Proclamation 7350 of October 2, 2000 directed CITA to publish the aggregate quantity of imports allowed during each 12-month period in the **Federal Register**.

For the period beginning on October 1, 2026, and extending through September 30, 2027, the aggregate quantity of imports eligible for preferential treatment under these provisions is 1,690,799,016 square meters equivalent. Of this amount, 845,399,508 square meters equivalent is available to apparel articles imported under the special rule for lesser-developed countries. Apparel articles entered in excess of these quantities will be subject to otherwise applicable tariffs.

These quantities are calculated using the aggregate square meter equivalents of all apparel articles imported into the United States, derived from the set of Harmonized System lines listed in the Annex to the World Trade Organization Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), and the conversion factors for units of measure into square meter equivalents used by the United States in implementing the ATC.

Joshua Kroon,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

TRICARE: Notice of TRICARE Plan Program Changes for Calendar Year (CY) 2027

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: ACTION: Notice; TRICARE Plan Program changes for CY 2027.

SUMMARY: This notice provides information regarding TRICARE Plan Program Changes for CY 2027.

DATES: TRICARE Health Plan information in this notice is valid for services during CY 2027 (January 1–December 31, 2027).

ADDRESSES: Defense Health Agency, TRICARE Health Plan Division, 7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101, Falls Church, Virginia 22042–5101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Debra Fisher, 703–275–6224, *dha.ncr.healthcare-ops.mbx.thp-policy-and-programs-branch@health.mil.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A final rule published in the **Federal Register** (FR) on February 15, 2019 (84 FR 4326–4333) established the requirement for the Director, Defense Health Agency (DHA), to provide notice of TRICARE program changes to Military Health System (MHS) beneficiaries each CY in connection with the annual open season enrollment period. The following changes or improvements to the TRICARE program benefits apply for CY 2027.

Open Season Announcement

Open Season is an annual period when beneficiaries may enroll in a health plan or make changes to their health care, dental, and/or vision coverage for the next CY.

During the TRICARE Open Season running from November 9 through December 8, 2026, qualified MHS beneficiaries may enroll in or change their TRICARE Prime or TRICARE Select plan.

During the Federal Employee Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) Open Season running from November 9 through December 7, 2026, qualified MHS beneficiaries, including TRICARE For Life beneficiaries, may enroll in or make changes to their dental and/or vision plans. FEDVIP is operated by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Any changes MHS beneficiaries make during Open Season will take effect on January 1, 2027. If a beneficiary remains eligible and does not make any changes during Open Season, then his/her coverage will remain the same for 2027. TRICARE enrollees can ensure they receive important health plan information by promptly entering any change in mailing address, email address, and other information in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) and verifying their preference for receipt of information digitally or by paper mailings with their respective regional contractors. TRICARE enrollees can avoid any health care coverage gaps by ensuring changes in their payment information are also updated with their regional contractors. See *https://tricare.mil/Plans/Eligibility/DEERS* as a guide for when to update information in DEERS throughout the year.

Annual Announcements

The following TRICARE program features are subject to a year-to-year determination and are announced each year prior to the annual TRICARE Open Season:

Urgent Care Visits: The number of urgent care visits remains unlimited without referrals for TRICARE Prime enrollees for Plan CY 2027. Beneficiaries may receive urgent care from TRICARE-authorized urgent care centers (UCCs) and convenience clinics (CCs), either network or non-network, without a referral. They may also receive urgent care from any TRICARE network provider (*i.e.,* family medicine; internal medicine-general practice; pediatricians). In situations when a TRICARE Prime enrollee seeks care from a non-network TRICARE authorized provider (outside of a TRICARE-authorized UCC or CC), the usual TRICARE Prime Point of Service deductible and cost-shares will apply. Private sector care for active duty Service members is subject to different rules. Covered beneficiaries in the U.S. who want assistance with decisions on whether to seek urgent care, except those enrolled in the Uniformed Services Family Health Plan (USFHP) or in a plan under the Competitive Plans Demonstration (CPD), may call the MHS Nurse Advice Line (NAL) at 1–800–874–2273 for health care guidance from a specially trained registered nurse. The NAL is available 24/7 to eligible TRICARE beneficiaries. USFHP and CPD enrollees should contact their contractor's designated nurse advice line. Beneficiaries residing overseas can call the NAL for health care advice when traveling in the U.S. but must coordinate care with their Overseas Regional Call Center. For additional information, call the servicing TRICARE contractor or visit *https://www.tricare.mil/ContactUs* and click on ''MHS Nurse Advice Line.''

Prime Service Area (PSA) Changes: PSAs are geographic areas around military medical treatment facilities and Base Realignment and Closure sites where TRICARE Prime is available. PSAs support the medical readiness of active-duty members of the Uniformed Services by adding to the capability and capacity of military hospitals and clinics. There are no changes to the existing PSAs for CY 2027.

What's New

The following changes or improvements to TRICARE program benefits apply to CY 2027 (although some changes were implemented in 2026):

Prescription Copay Waiver for Certain Dependents Enrolled in TRICARE Prime Remote: Active-duty family members enrolled in TRICARE Prime Remote in the United States and who live more than 50 miles or a one-hour drive from a military medical treatment facility pharmacy will no longer pay copayments for covered prescription medications filled at retail network pharmacies, effective February 28, 2026. Eligible families will see the copayment waiver applied automatically at the pharmacy.

Demonstrations

Competitive Plans Demonstration: Again for 2027, TRICARE-eligible active duty family members, retirees, and retiree family members who reside within certain ZIP Codes in metro Atlanta, Georgia, and metro Tampa, Florida, have additional options for their TRICARE coverage. Eligible individuals in these areas may opt to voluntarily enroll in a Competitive Plans Demonstration health plan, also known as TRICARE Prime Demo, regardless of whether they are currently enrolled in TRICARE Prime or TRICARE Select. See *https://tricare.mil/Plans/HealthPlans/TRICARE-Prime-Demo* for more information. Details are available in an April 28, 2025, **Federal Register** notice at *https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/04/28/2025-07258/tricare-tricare-competitive-plans-demonstration-cpd.*

Childbirth and Breastfeeding Support Demonstration (CBSD): The CBSD was extended for five years and will now end on December 31, 2031. Until the CBSD ends, beneficiaries may access the services of certified labor doulas, certified lactation consultants, and certified lactation counselors. The CBSD is available to beneficiaries in the United States and overseas. Details are available at *https://tricare.mil/cbsd.*

Pre-Hospital Blood Transfusions (PHBT) Demonstration: Beginning January 1, 2027, a five-year nationwide demonstration will be used to evaluate an alternative payment method for PHBT. This demonstration will evaluate whether providing a supplementary reimbursement for PHBT will improve beneficiary access to this life-saving care, enhance clinical outcomes for patients in hemorrhagic shock, and prove to be administratively feasible. Details are available in a July 6, 2026, **Federal Register** notice at: *https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2026/07/06/2026-13515/tricare-demonstration-project-for-tricare-ambulance-add-on-reimbursement-for-pre-hospital-blood.*

Benefit Improvements

Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring: TRICARE expanded coverage for ambulatory blood pressure monitoring to include diagnosis of masked hypertension in children and adults; diagnosis of abnormal nocturnal blood pressure in children; and management of certain conditions as recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics or American Heart Association.

Optune™ Tumor Treating Fields (TTF) Device: Optune TTF device for treatment of adult beneficiaries, 22 years of age or older, with newly diagnosed glioblastoma multiforme, following surgery and radiation is covered.

Ablative Fractional Laser (e.g., Carbon Dioxide and Erbium Yag): Ablative fractional laser for the treatment of symptomatic scars resulting from burns and other trauma is covered. Care must be preauthorized, including subsequent sessions following the first treatment to ensure ongoing therapy is medically necessary and appropriate for the treatment of symptomatic scars. This treatment was previously provided under Provisional Coverage and was converted to a permanent benefit effective February 24, 2026.

Autologous Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation: Benefits may be cost-shared for a single event of myeloablative or non-myeloablative therapy with autologous hematopoietic stem cell transplant for the treatment of multiple sclerosis when criteria are met.

Stereotactic Laser Amygdalohippocampectomy (SLAH): SLAH including magnetic resonance imaging guided laser interstitial thermal therapy may be covered for the treatment of mesial temporal lobe epilepsy when performed in accordance with American Society for Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery recommendations.

Liver Transplant for Metastatic Colorectal Cancer: Liver transplantation for colorectal cancer with liver metastasis is covered for beneficiaries who meet specified inclusion requirements and do not meet exclusion criteria, with prior authorization and tumor board approval.

Peripheral Nerve Stimulation: Peripheral nerve stimulation, a non-opioid, and minimally invasive pain treatment, for the treatment of chronic pain, including chronic post-operative pain, chronic post-amputation pain, chronic phantom limb pain, and chronic migraine and headache conditions, is covered. Additionally, peripheral nerve stimulation for the treatment of acute post-operative and acute post-amputation pain for up to 60 days following surgery using temporary peripheral nerve stimulations, such as SPRINT®, is covered.

New Provisional Coverage

Vertebral Body Tethering: Vertebral body tethering, a minimally invasive

alternative to spinal fusion therapy, is covered under the Provisional Coverage Program for certain adolescents with adolescent idiopathic scoliosis.

Benefit Changes

Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation (TENS): Effective July 1, 2026, TENS devices and supplies are excluded for all conditions except acute post-operative pain.

Appendix A

Certain TRICARE enrollee out-of-pocket costs (enrollment fees, premiums, catastrophic caps, deductibles, and copayments) are adjusted annually by Federal law and regulations based on the annual Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) applied to Uniformed Service member retired pay. A difference in copayments remains between those who entered Uniformed Service before January 1, 2018 (Group A), and those who entered on or after that date (Group B).

The retiree COLA is typically announced after the Federal fiscal year begins in October. Beneficiary out-of-pocket expenses impacted by the 2026 COLA will be posted to the *tricare.mil/changes* web page before the start of TRICARE Open Season, November 10, 2026.

Premium Based Plans

The CY 2027 monthly premiums for TRICARE Reserve Select, TRICARE Retired Reserve, and TRICARE Young Adult and the quarterly premiums for the Continued Health Care Benefit Program will be posted to the *tricare.mil/changes* web page once announced.

Pharmacy Out-of-Pocket Expenses for CY 2027

TRICARE Pharmacy copayments are unchanged for January 1, 2027:

PHARMACY COPAYMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2027 *

Year	Retail network generic formulary 30-day supply	Retail network brand-name formulary 30-day supply	Retail network non-formulary 30-day supply	Mail order generic formulary 90-day supply	Mail order brand-name formulary 90-day supply	Mail order non-formulary 90-day supply
2027	$16	$48	**$85	$14	$44	$85

*Active duty Service members (ADSMs) and Active duty family members enrolled in TRICARE Prime Remote enjoy a $0 copay for covered drugs at any pharmacy.

**For all beneficiaries except ADSMs, select brand-name maintenance medications (taken for long-term conditions) may only be filled twice at retail and then must be filled through home delivery or military pharmacy.

Dated: September 15, 2026.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

U.S. Strategic Command Strategic Advisory Group; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Closed Meeting; Republication

AGENCY: Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee closed meeting; republication.

SUMMARY: The DoD (referred to herein as ''Department of War'' or ''DoW'') is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the U.S. Strategic Command Strategic Advisory Group will take place.

DATES:

Day 1—Closed to the public Monday, September 21, 2026.

Day 2—Closed to the public Tuesday, September 22, 2026.

ADDRESSES: 900 SAC Boulevard, Offutt AFB, Nebraska 68113.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Derrick J. Besse, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), (402) 912–0322 (Voice), *derrick.j.besse.civ@mail.mil* (Email). Mailing address is 900 SAC Boulevard, Suite N3.170, Offutt AFB, Nebraska 68113.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice originally published in the **Federal Register** on September 16, 2026 (91 FR 58663). The necessary waiver language was missing from the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section. The notice is being reprinted in its entirety to include the waiver language.

Due to circumstances beyond the control of the DFO, the U.S. Strategic Command Strategic Advisory Group was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102–3.150(a) concerning its September 21–22, 2026 meeting. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of War, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150(b), waives the 7-calendar day notification requirement.

This meeting is being held under the provisions of chapter 10 of the United States Code (U.S.C.) (commonly known as the Federal Advisory Committee Act or FACA), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.140.

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is to provide advice and recommendations on scientific, technical, intelligence, nuclear, and policy-related issues to the Commander, U.S. Strategic Command.

Agenda: Topics include: Annual Stockpile Assessment, Strategic Landscape and Threats, Strategy and Policy Development, Readiness and Current Operations, Sustainment/Modernization and Transition Risk, Risk and Hard Problems, Developing Technologies Impact on the Strategic Environment.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, and 41 CFR 102–3.155, the DoW has determined that the meeting shall be closed to the public. Per delegated authority by the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Richard A. Correll, Commander, U.S. Strategic Command, in consultation with his legal advisor, has determined in writing that the public interest requires that all sessions of this meeting be closed to the public because they will be concerned with matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140(c), the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the membership of the Strategic Advisory Group at any time or in response to the stated agenda of a planned meeting. Written statements should be submitted to the Strategic Advisory Group's DFO; the DFO's contact information can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database—*http://www.facadatabase.gov/*. Written