MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION 21 July 2014

SUBJECT: UTD for MAP 75-14 -- Pay Mileage Instead of Gas and Oil Costs for Medical Travel

1. **SYNOPSIS**: Pays a mileage rate (using the 'Other mileage rate') instead of actual expenses of gas and oil when using a POC for OCONUS dependents when medical care is not available; and TRICARE PRIME patient travel when specialty care is not available within 100 miles.

2. The Committee Chair has approved the attached changes to the Joint Federal Travel Regulations, Volume 1 (JFTR), made in MAP 75-14(R).

3. This determination is an advance notice of the changes to the JFTR. You are requested to disseminate this determination to the appropriate offices within your Service.

4. These changes are scheduled to appear in JFTR change 333, dated 1 September 2014.

5. This determination is effective when printed in the JFTR, 1 September 2014.

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Attachment:
Rev 2

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JFTR REVISIONS:

U2600-A:

A. TDY Mileage Rate Chart TDY mileage rates for local and TDY travel are:

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Other Mileage Rate: Applies when:

1. A POC is used instead of a GOV’T furnished vehicle (if a GOV’T is available) when GOV’T furnished vehicle use is to the GOV’T’s advantage;

2. IDT outside normal commute IAW par. U7160U71640; and.

3. Disciplinary action travel under par. U7245U7415

4. Medical travel under pars. U7175 and U7215

U7175-C2b(1):

*b. POC Used—Reimbursement:

(1) Is authorized for the actual expense incurred (gas; oil; highway, bridge, and tunnel tolls; parking fees; and other necessary expenses incurred incident to such travel) for the patient’s round trip travel between the transportation terminal, specialty care provider facility, and lodging.

(2) Must not exceed the GOV’T’s cost if GOV’T/GOV’T-procured transportation is available. If a POC is used, the patient is authorized the Other Mileage Rate (see par. U2600) for the official distance, and reimbursement for highway, bridge, and tunnel tolls; and reimbursement for parking fees. A cost comparison is not required.

U7175-C3:

3. Reimbursement Limitation. Reimbursement may not be on a commuted basis, such as a mileage allowance for transportation cost (R-262964, 22 February 1982).

U7180-D:

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*D. Reimbursement Limitation. The patient and attendant cannot both be reimbursed for the same travel expense (e.g., both cannot claim and be paid for gas and mileage when traveling by POC).

U7215-I:

*D. Transportation to and from a Medical and/or Dental Facility. When practicable, GOV’T transportation should be used for transportation authorized by this par. When GOV’T transportation is not available or its use is not practicable, dependent patients must be transported by:

1. GOV’T procured commercial transportation,

2. Personally procured commercial transportation, or

3. POC.

When personally procured commercial transportation is used, reimbursement for the actual cost of the transportation used is authorized. If a POC is used, the dependent is authorized the Other Mileage Rate (see par. U2600) for the official distance, and reimbursement for highway, bridge, and tunnel tolls; and reimbursement for parking fees. When a POC is used, reimbursement for the actual expenses incurred (e.g., gas, oil, highway, bridge, and tunnel tolls, parking fees, and other necessary expenses incurred incident to POC use) is authorized. **TDY mileage may not be paid.** However, reimbursement for the travel performed by personally procured commercial transportation or by POC is limited to what it would have cost had the transportation been furnished by the GOV’T (i.e., GOV’T or GOV’T-procured transportation). **NOTE: This limit does not apply when GOV’T or GOV’T-procured transportation is not available.** If a dependent is transported by POC and an attendant is authorized a transportation allowance, no additional transportation expense on behalf of the dependent is authorized.

U7215-F:

*F. Outpatient Transportation. Reimbursement is authorized for the actual expenses incurred for the dependent's transportation between transportation terminal, medical/dental facility, and lodging when the dependent is receiving outpatient care at a medical/dental facility outside the member's PDS area. Actual expenses incurred for transportation cost between medical/dental facility and lodging may be reimbursed for the number of trips the dependent must make between those two places. The transportation mode used should be the least costly mode available that adequately meets the patient's needs. When POC is the appropriate mode, reimbursement for the actual expenses incurred, as in par. U4705 is authorized. **Transportation expenses may not be paid using a mileage allowance (B-202964, 23 February 1982).** The Other Mileage Rate (see par. U2600) is paid for the distance traveled based on odometer readings, in addition to reimbursement for highway, bridge, and tunnel tolls; and reimbursement for parking fees.

U7215-H:

*H. Reimbursable Expenses. The dependent is authorized reimbursement for the reimbursable expenses listed in APP G except that if a POC is used to and from the transportation terminal, reimbursement is for the actual expenses incurred, as in par. U4705 and payment of mileage is not authorized.** Receipt requirements are the same as those in par. U2710.