

## DoD Registration in DEERS

- **DEERS** serves as the database of record for eligibility, enrollment, Primary Care Manager (PCM) assignments, fees, and catastrophic cap and deductible totals, as well as serving as a central repository for other forms of health insurance.
- **DEERS** provides standardized correspondence to the beneficiary.
- TRICARE is a managed and portable health care program for MHS-eligible beneficiaries in **DEERS**.

### **Major points from the DEERS Manual:**

- DEERS is the official source for eligibility data.
- Enrollment data, including PCM assignment information, must be established first on DEERS, due to eligibility and portability considerations.
- DEERS is considered to have the most current and complete set of data to identify patients and beneficiaries within the DoD.
- DEERS is considered to have the most current and complete set of data to identify persons within the DoD.
- Other Government Program data comes from different sources including RAPIDS, official DoD sources, and sources external to the DoD including CMS and is centralized by DEERS within the DoD. Therefore, DEERS is considered the official source within the DoD for this information
- Family Member SSNs come from different sources and multiple business areas, but are owned by DEERS.
- DEERS is the official source of the policy enrollment period for any given policy.

### **Information for Patients:**

- Visit the [DEERS Web site](https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/appj/address/index.jsp) to update your address --  
<https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/appj/address/index.jsp>
- Call 1-800-538-9552 or 1-866-363-2883 (TTY/TDD for the deaf), OR
- Fax address changes to 1-831-655-8317, OR
- Visit your local ID card facility, OR
- Mail the your new information to  
Defense Manpower Data Center Support Office  
Attn: COA  
400 Gigling Road  
Seaside, California 93955-6771

**A beneficiary must update their own DEERS information.**