AGENCY: Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Health Board (DHB) will take place.

DATES: Open to the public Thursday, November 5, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held by videoconference/teleconference. Participant access information will be provided after registering. (Pre-meeting registration is required. See guidance in SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, “Meeting Accessibility.”)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: CAPT Gregory H. Gorman, U.S. Navy, 703-275-6060 (Voice), 703-275-6064 (Facsimile), gregory.h.gorman.mil@mail.mil (Email). Mailing address is 7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101, Falls Church, Virginia 22042. Website: http://www.health.mil/dhb. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C., Appendix), the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), and 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Availability of Materials for the Meeting: Additional information, including the agenda, is available at the DHB website, http://www.health.mil/dhb. A copy of the agenda or any updates
to the agenda for the November 5, 2020 meeting will be available on the DHB website. Any other materials presented in the meeting may be obtained at the meeting.

**Purpose of the Meeting:** The DHB provides independent advice and recommendations to maximize the safety and quality of, as well as access to, health care for DoD health care beneficiaries. The purpose of the meeting is to provide progress updates on specific taskings before the DHB. In addition, the DHB will receive an information briefing on current issues related to military medicine.

**Agenda:** The DHB anticipates receiving decision briefings on the Active Duty Women’s Health Care Services and on the Modernization of the TRICARE Benefit as well as two briefings on direct-to-consumer genetic testing, with one of those being an introduction to the new DHB tasking. Any changes to the agenda can be found at the link provided in this notice.

**Meeting Accessibility:** Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, this meeting is open to the public from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on November 5, 2020. The meeting will be held by videoconference/teleconference. The number of participants is limited and is on a first-come basis. All members of the public who wish to participate must register by emailing their name, rank/title, and organization/company to dha.ncr.dhb.mbx.defense-health-board@mail.mil or by contacting Ms. Michele Porter at (703) 275-6012 no later than Thursday, October 29, 2020. Once registered, the web address and audio number will be provided.

**Special Accommodations:** Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting should contact Ms. Michele Porter at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

**Written Statements:** Any member of the public wishing to provide comments to the DHB related to its current taskings or mission may do so at any time in accordance with section
10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, and the procedures described in this notice. Written statements may be submitted to the DHB Designated Federal Officer (DFO), Captain Gorman, at gregory.h.gorman.mil@mail.mil. Supporting documentation may also be included, to establish the appropriate historical context and to provide any necessary background information. If the written statement is not received at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting, the DFO may choose to postpone consideration of the statement until the next open meeting. The DFO will review all timely submissions with the DHB President and ensure they are provided to members of the DHB before the meeting that is subject to this notice. After reviewing the written comments, the President and the DFO may choose to invite the submitter to orally present their issue during an open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting.

Dated: September 18, 2020

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