MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Updated Travel Guidance for the West Point Community

1. Purpose. This memorandum provides updated travel restriction guidance for the West Point Community. West Point Senior leadership and the Keller Army Community Hospital Department of Public Health will continuously evaluate this guidance as the COVID-19 environment continues to change.

2. Background. West Point remains in Health Protection Condition (HPCON) Level Bravo with a declared Public Health Emergency. The New York State (NYS) Governor’s Office has updated their quarantine guidance for both vaccinated and non-vaccinated persons. Force Health Protection Guidance (Supplement 14) DoD Guidance for Personnel Travelling during the Coronavirus Disease 2019 Pandemic dated 29 December 2020 delegates the travel restriction authorities to the local installation Commander IAW state and local policies. Access to West Point will remain restricted to personnel that live or work on the installation and their invited guests while West Point is in HPCON-B.


4. Updated USMA and West Point Travel ROM Policy.

   a. CONUS, HI and AK. As of 01 April 2021, IAW NYS guidelines, there is no longer a quarantine requirement for domestic travel. Supervisors and chains of command should continue to conduct risk-based screening of all unofficial travel to mitigate COVID risk and maintain mission requirements. All individuals returning to West Point from CONUS, HI and AK travel must continue to strictly adhere to non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPI) such as masking, distancing, and hand hygiene. Individuals must also continue to closely monitor symptoms through day 14. If symptoms develop, individuals must immediately:

      (1) Self-isolate;
      (2) Contact his/her healthcare provider;
      (3) Notify Team Quarantine via online form to the Garrison EOC;
      (4) If living on post, notify housing; and
      (5) Notify his/her supervisory CoC
b. **OCONUS Travel.** Travelers returning from OCONUS (not including Hawaii and Alaska) require a 14-day quarantine. Personnel requesting OCONUS travel will comply with Force Health Protection Guidance (Supplement 14).

c. **Travel Approval.**

(1) **Domestic Leisure Travel.** Unit commanders can approve domestic leisure travel.

(2) **Official Travel.** Unit commanders can approve official travel IAW Secretary of Defense Memorandum, Update to Conditions-based Approach to Coronavirus Disease 2019 Personnel Movement and Travel Restrictions dated 15 March 2021.

(3) **Foreign Travel.** Foreign travel will comply with West Point OPORD 20-042, Theater and Country Clearance Procedures.

5. Due to the elevated risk for COVID-19 to rapidly spread in close living quarters additional and/or tailored restrictions may be required. Modified ROM procedures for Cadets will be processed through the Contain and Train Decision Board with approval by the Commandant to effectively mitigate COVID-19 transmission in a communal living environment.

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