

## FREQUENTLY ASKED MEDICAL QUESTIONS

A. Tricare Enrollment WEBSITE: <http://www.tricare.osd.mil>

### B. Most Frequently asked Medical Questions

1. How can I speed up medical waiver request for a cadet with history of ASTHMA? Obtain a Methacholine Challenge test from a PULMONARY physician. Pulmonary Function test is not acceptable. This can be obtained while awaiting DoDMERB decision if an applicant provides history of asthma past age 12 and on medication.

2. What about cadets with recent LASIK eye surgery? Request Ophthalmologist's evaluation at 6 months post-op; then submit request to Cadet Command [CC] Surgeon's office. Refer to CC/Surgeon newsletter/policies website.

3. Cadet had knee surgery, how long does it take to obtain a medical waiver? Request ORTHOPEDIC surgeon's evaluation 6 months after surgery. This is reviewed on a case by case basis.

4. Can I obtain required medical consultation for a cadet at an MTF? Yes. However, the cadet has the option of paying a civilian specialist but this is not reimbursable. In some cases, the Cadet Command Surgeon may insist on a military consultation.

5. Is body fat a medical issue? It is a coordinated administrative/medical waiver process.

6. Can I call the Cadet Command Surgeon's office directly on medical issues?.  
YES.

7. A request for medical waiver was previously denied, can a request be resubmitted if there is a change in medical condition or new information? YES.

8. I have an MS11 pregnant cadet, what is the policy on this? Cadet should be placed on profile with limited physical activities. Refer to Cadet Command Surgeon's policy on the CC Website.

9. What are the options for a graduating cadet who is now pregnant but wants to be commissioned and attend OBC? Refer to AR 139-91, para 4-24.

10. Which regulation governs cadet's medical benefits if injured during training such as on FTX? Refer to AR 145-1, para 3-49.

11. I have a cadet with history of migraine headaches one year ago. Is this disqualifying? It depends on the reason/s for the headaches and whether the cadet is still on medication.

12. A Non-scholarship cadet had a hearing test that is abnormal after an ear infection. Is a medical waiver still possible? Yes. Obtain a second hearing test after there has been adequate medical treatment.

13. How do I find DoDMERB medical examination forms and handbook? Access CC website/Surgeon section or <http://web1.whs.osd.mil/icdhome/DDEFForms.htm>

- 14. Why is action from DoDMERB so slow?**
- a). Applicant's procrastination and lack of motivation.**
  - b). DoDMERB handbook not read**
  - c). Physical exam not requested in a timely fashion**
  - d). DoDMERB computer problems.**
  - e). Inadequate DoDMERB phone lines.**