*** TRICARE Health Benefits Advisor - Thailand ***

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A. Traveling or Moving to Thailand

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1. I am a TRICARE Prime beneficiary living in the U.S. and am traveling to Thailand. Can I transfer my Prime enrollment to your overseas region while I am in Thailand? NO. Only active duty service members and their command-sponsored family member(s) are eligible to enroll in TRICARE Overseas Prime.

Before you travel overseas, contact your <u>TRICARE region</u> regarding what travel rules may apply. CONUS regions require that you contact them within 24 hours of receiving urgent or emergent care to authorize payment. All routine care will be processed as Point-of-Service.

If you are enrolled in TRICARE Prime in another region but intend to <u>reside in Thailand for longer than 30 days</u>, you should disenroll from TRICARE Prime in that region and change your address in DEERS to reflect your new overseas residence. This will facilitate the processing of claims with the TRICARE overseas claims processor for any care you receive in Thailand and avoid costly Point-of-Service charges that may be incurred for other than urgent or emergent care. TRICARE Select Overseas deductibles and cost shares will apply.

Please note that when you disenroll from TRICARE Prime your TRICARE premiums are non-reimbursable. For further information, contact your <u>TRICARE region</u> or <u>TRICARE Overseas</u>.

2. Do I need to enroll in TRICARE Select Overseas?

<u>Enrollment</u> is required if you are a covered beneficiary and elect to participate in TRICARE Select Overseas. Beneficiaries must enroll in a TRICARE plan to be covered for civilian care.

3. How do I find a provider if I need care while I am traveling in Thailand?

If you need to find a provider for either urgent or emergent care while you are visiting Thailand, please feel free to contact our office, TRICARE Overseas, or the U.S. Embassy for assistance. You will still have to pay 100% up front and file a claim with TRICARE for payment consideration.

HQ JUSMAGTHAI TRICARE Services, Room D-110 7 Sathorn Tai Rd. Bangkok 10120 Thailand

Telephone: 02-287-1036 Ext. 511 or 512

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International SOS, Singapore (Pacific Area)

Email: sin.tricare@internationalsos.com Medical Assist Regional Direct: +65-6338-9277 Medical Assist Toll Free: 0018004417902 Customer Svc Regional Direct: +65-6339-2676 Customer Svc Toll Free: 0018004418952 Web: https://www.tricare-overseas.com/

• Where to File a Claim: https://tricare.mil/FormsClaims/Claims.

Be aware, if you are enrolled in TRICARE Prime in another region and receive routine care – that is, other than urgent or emergent care – from a Thailand provider you will have to pay Point-of-Service charges. Learn more: https://tricare.mil/Costs/HealthPlanCosts/PrimeOptions/POS.

- U.S. Citizen Services, U.S. Embassy (Bangkok) & U.S. Consulate General (Chiang Mai):
- > Contact Information: https://th.usembassv.gov/embassv-consulate/chiang-mai/u-scitizenship-services/u-s-embassy-bangkok-u-s-consulate-general-chiang-mai-contact-information/
- > Hours of Operation, Access Policy, and Location https://th.usembassy.gov/u-s-citizen-services/acslocationhours/
- > Emergency Contact Information https://th.usembassy.gov/u-s-citizen-services/local-resources-of-u-s-citizens/emergency-assistance/
- 4. I reside in the United States. I received medical services while traveling in Thailand and paid up front for the services. How do I get reimbursed for my out-of-pocket expenses?

Regardless if you are TRICARE Prime, TRICARE Select or TRICARE For Life in a stateside region, if you receive care while you are traveling in Thailand, file your claim(s) with the overseas claims processor at the following address:

TRICARE Overseas Program P.O. Box 7985 Madison WI 53707-7985

5. I am moving to Thailand with the intent to make it my permanent residence. I am currently enrolled in TRICARE Prime in the U.S. Can I transfer my TRICARE Prime enrollment into TRICARE Prime there?

NO. Only active duty service members and their command-sponsored family member(s) are eligible to enroll in TRICARE Overseas Prime. If you are enrolled in TRICARE Prime in another region but intend to reside in Thailand for longer than 30 days, you should disenroll from Prime in that region and change your address in DEERS to reflect your new overseas residence. This will facilitate the processing of claims with the TRICARE overseas claims processor for any care you receive in Thailand, and avoid costly Point-of-Service charges that may be incurred for other than urgent or emergent care. TRICARE Select Overseas deductibles and cost shares apply. One last friendly reminder; when you disenroll from TRICARE Prime, your premiums are non-reimbursable.

6. What should I do to ensure I can use my TRICARE benefit in Thailand?

After you establish your residence in Thailand, you will need to update your address information in DEERS and contact the region in which you were enrolled and request to be disenrolled from that region. This will facilitate the processing of claims with the TRICARE overseas claims processor, Wisconsin Physicians Service (WPS), and avoid potential claim processing delays or "lost" claims.

7. Can your office change my address in DEERS?

NO. Unfortunately, the TRICARE offices are <u>not</u> authorized to perform this service. To change your address information in DEERS, <u>you</u> will need to perform one of the following actions:

- Online: To update your address information, visit: https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/.
- Visit your local uniformed services personnel office or contact the Defense Manpower Data Center Support Office (DSO) at 1-800-538-9552. The best time to call the DSO Telephone Center is 0900-1500 (Pacific Time) Wednesday through Friday. Here in Thailand, the only uniformed services personnel office is located at JUSMAGTHAI (Bangkok), Room D-109. Email (General Inquiries): jusmagthai@state.gov. JUSMAGTHAI DEERS/ID Card Section service is "By Appointment Only". To make an appointment, visit: https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/locator (Location: Bangkok Thailand).

• Fax or Mail Address Changes to: Defense Manpower Data Center Support Office

Attn: COA 400 Gigling Rd.

Seaside CA 93955-6771

Fax: 1-800-336-4416 (Primary) | 1-502-335-9980 (Alternate)

You can find additional information about DEERS online here: https://tricare.mil/DEERS.

B. Medicare Part B and TRICARE For Life

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1. Am I still covered by TRICARE Select Overseas if I only have Medicare Part A?

NO. Even when you reside outside of the U.S., when you first become eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A you must enroll in and pay your premium for Medicare Part B to receive your TRICARE For Life (TFL) coverage when you reach age 65 (or earlier, if disabled). Please visit: https://tricare.mil/LifeEvents/Medicare and https://tricare.mil/Plans/Eligibility/MedicareEligible.

2. How do I enroll in Medicare Part B?

- Enrollment method depends on your Medicare status: https://www.ssa.gov/medicare/.
- The Social Security Administration (SSA) handles Medicare eligibility and enrollment. For assistance, you may contact the U.S. Social Security office in Manila, Philippines:

U.S. Embassy - Manila Social Security Administration 1201 Roxas Boulevard Manila, Philippines 0930 Email: FBU.Manila@ssa.gov (Preferred contact method)
Tel: +63-2-5301-6200 (Tues & Thurs, 0800-1100, Manila Time)
Fax: +63-2-8708-9714

(Closed <u>U.S. & Philippine Holidays</u> + First Wed of Each Month)

Web: https://ph.usembassy.gov/services/social-security/

• You may also contact SSA at 1-800-772-1213 to enroll in Medicare or to ask eligibility questions – you should call three months prior to your 65th birthday (earlier if receiving SSDI). People who are deaf or hard of hearing may call the SSA "TTY" number, 1-800-325-0778, 0700-1900 hours on business days. You may also visit their website at: https://www.ssa.gov/.

C. Seeking Health Care in Thailand

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1. Do Thailand health care providers accept TRICARE?

If by "accept TRICARE" you mean that the provider will provide medical services and then file claims on your behalf without requiring payment up front, Thailand providers typically do not. TRICARE cannot compel foreign providers – nor for that fact CONUS non-network providers – to file claims on behalf of TRICARE beneficiaries. TRICARE use by retirees in Thailand historically has been and still is to "Pay 100% Up Front" (out-of-pocket) for medical care (unless an individual health care provider chooses to direct bill TRICARE). Furthermore, beneficiaries are responsible for annual deductibles, cost shares and 100% of non-covered services and non-allowable charges.

2. Inpatient medical care can quickly become quite expensive. Will my medical care provider bill TRICARE directly?

Generally, the short answer is "NO". You must be prepared to pay 100% up front – or make appropriate private payment arrangements with the provider – and file your own claim(s). For numerous reasons, Thailand medical providers typically will not directly bill TRICARE – it's strictly their private business decision to make. Over the years, various care providers have attempted direct billing, but each attempt ended unsuccessfully – mostly due to care providers not adhering to TRICARE claims filing policy. That being said, just kindly be advised that a care provider that may be trialing or offering direct billing today may abruptly end that service tomorrow.

3. Could you send me a listing of TRICARE network providers in Thailand for retirees?

There are no network providers for retirees in Thailand. You may seek care from any licensed hostnation provider without a referral; it's that simple. Please feel free to contact <u>TRICARE Overseas</u> or our office if you harbor any uncertainty. Also, although beneficiaries generally are not required to have a referral for specialty care, **some procedures may require prior authorization**.

4. Are there any foreign providers that have an exclusive or special arrangement with TRICARE?

NO. There are no host-nation providers that have an exclusive or special relationship with TRICARE to serve TRICARE Select Overseas or TFL retiree beneficiaries here in Thailand.

5. Can I file a claim for medical services received from a non-licensed host-nation provider?

Technically, "YES". But this will likely result in: 1) Significant delay in processing your claim(s), and; 2) Denial of your claim if the provider's credentials cannot be verified.

6. I do not want my spouse or anyone else to know details about my medical care. What is TRICARE's policy on "Patient Confidentiality"?

Not to worry! We realize this is a very sensitive matter and we are very diligent in respecting your privacy. In order to safeguard patient confidentiality, when anyone contacts our office inquiring about a patient's condition or wanting to help the patient file a claim, we first need **legal proof** that the inquiring person is authorized to do so (Federal Regulations, Title 42, CFR Part 2). A signed <u>Authorization to Disclose Information</u> form by the patient to our staff is required; else, a legal **Power of Attorney** is required (photocopy <u>not</u> accepted), or a court order awarding guardianship.

7. When is the annual TRICARE Open Season?

Generally, it occurs beginning on the Monday of the second full week in November to the Monday of the second full week in December. This time frame is similar to the Federal Benefits Open Season. TRICARE Open Season: https://tricare.mil/OpenSeason.

D. Fraud Prevention

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1. I have been asked by a provider to sign blank claim forms. I have also been told if I pay a monthly fee the provider will waive all deductibles and cost shares required under TRICARE Select Overseas. Is this appropriate?

NO! There are a number of activities that are considered inappropriate and/or could constitute fraudulent billing practices. In response to complaints received from several overseas beneficiaries, the TRICARE Management Activity disseminated an informational letter to health care companies operating overseas to advise them on this matter. The following are examples of fraudulent/abusive practices prohibited by the Code of Federal Regulations (Title 32, CFR 199.9):

- Waiving the deductible or cost-share and/or offering a financial inducement to encourage the receipt of health care services.
- Engaging in a practice that ultimately results in a waiver of the deductible or cost-share.
- Arrangements that are designed primarily to overcharge TRICARE through various means, such as commissions, fee-splitting and kickbacks, which are used to divert or conceal improper or unnecessary costs or profits.
- Unauthorized use of the term 'TRICARE' in private business. While the use of the term 'TRICARE' is not prohibited by federal statute, misrepresentation or description of the term TRICARE to imply an official connection with the U.S. Government or to defraud may be a violation of federal statute.
- Billing or submitting claims for non-covered or non-chargeable services by disguising them as covered items. A billing agency may NOT include its administrative costs in submitting a claim for health care services. Such action is considered fraudulent. A billing agency may charge the provider for an administrative fee to cover the costs of submitting the claim. However, the cost cannot be passed on to the U.S. Government in the form of a health care service/charge.
- Billings or claims that involve flagrant and persistent over-utilization of services.
- Billings for services not provided, e.g., charging an office visit for a prescription refill when no office visit took place.
- Improper billing practices. This may include charging TRICARE beneficiaries for services and supplies at rates that are in excess of those charges routinely charged to the general public. For instance, prescription drug charges should not exceed the average drug wholesale price. Other services, both professional and institutional, shall not represent excessive charges.
- A pattern of claims for services which are not medically necessary, or, if medically necessary, not to the extent rendered.
- Failing to promptly refund the U.S. Government any dollars resulting from inappropriate billing or overpayments.
- Those knowingly participating in any of the activities described above may be subject to consequences including prosecution and denial of future claims for payment by TRICARE.

2. How do I report suspected fraudulent/abusive activities?

Beneficiaries who become aware of organizations engaging in any activities described above are encouraged to forward their concerns to WPS at: reportit@wps.com, or, write to:

WPS - Correspondence Attn: TRICARE Program Integrity 1717 W. Broadway P.O. Box 7635 Madison WI 53707-7635

You may also **Report Fraud or Abuse** to: <u>TRICARE Overseas</u> or <u>Defense Health Agency</u>.

E. Filing Claims

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1. How do I file my claims?

You may file by mail (see paragraphs 3 & 4 below), or file electronically. Filing Electronically: Once you've established a Beneficiary login account at https://www.tricare-overseas.com/, and once you login, you may submit your claim electronically (Portal Tutorials). For more information on how to file claims for care received in Thailand, go to our webpage and look under the heading "TRICARE Claim - Self-Help" where you'll find our locally developed Checklist, and/or follow the other TRICARE claims links: https://www.jusmagthai.com/medical.html.

Paper claims are submitted using an original signature <u>DD Form 2642</u> along with a copy of the provider's <u>Medical Certificate</u>, <u>Medical Report</u>, or <u>OPD</u>, <u>Itemized Bill</u>, and all <u>Prescribed Medication</u> details, plus any EOBs from all OHIs; no Medicare summary notice is required (that is, you do not need to file first with Medicare to have them deny the claim and then file with TRICARE). You are responsible for the TRICARE Select Overseas deductible and cost shares.

• If your claim is the result of an injury, also include a <u>DD Form 2527</u> (Statement of Personal Injury - Possible Third Party Liability). If in doubt whether or not to submit a DD Form 2527, submit it! It's far better to submit one than have WPS delay the processing of your claim until you do.

<u>Please Note</u>: When discharged after inpatient care, beneficiaries are often prescribed take-home medication. Since some medication is not covered by TRICARE, you must pay for any "Home Medication" **up front** and then file a **separate** claim with WPS. For timely reimbursement of your claim send to WPS the following: 1) DD Form 2642 stating in Block 8a: "Home Medication due to Hospitalization for ______" (Block 8b: Check "Pharmacy"); 2) Inpatient Medical Report, and; 3) Separate Itemized Bill with only the Home Medication listed (medication details clearly stated).

2. What form do I use to submit my claim(s), and how can I obtain copies of this form?

- The form you need to submit is the main TRICARE claim form, **DD Form 2642** which you may download here: https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/forms/dd/dd2642.pdf.
- If your claim is the result of an injury, also include a **DD Form 2527** (Statement of Personal Injury Possible Third-Party Liability). If in doubt whether or not to submit a DD Form 2527, submit it. Download: https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/forms/dd/dd2527.pdf.

3. Where do I file my claim(s)?

If you are an eligible TRICARE Select or TFL beneficiary residing or traveling in Thailand, and you received care here – and are mailing your claim(s) – mail your claim to:

TRICARE Overseas Program P.O. Box 7985 Madison WI 53707-7985

If you have a residence in another region, you may also contact your TRICARE managed care Regional Contractor for assistance.

<u>TriWest Healthcare Alliance</u> (888) TRIWEST (874-9378) (TRICARE West Region) <u>Humana Military</u> (800) 444-5445 (TRICARE East Region)

4. Where do I file my claim(s) if I qualify for TRICARE For Life (TFL)?

If you are seeking reimbursement for care received in any location NOT covered by Medicare (such as Thailand), and are mailing your claim, mail to:

TRICARE Overseas Program P.O. Box 7985 Madison WI 53707-7985

If you prefer to file claims via Certified Mail, Express Mail or Mail Return Receipt, please use:

TRICARE Overseas 1717 W. Broadway Madison WI 53708

5. Can I claim the cost of mailing if I mail my claims to TRICARE?

NO. Only medical services can be claimed. We understand that the postal systems in foreign countries can be unreliable and recommend that you take every precaution to ensure that your claim(s) reach the TRICARE overseas claims processor. This means also keeping the following documents of your claim(s) for your personal records:

- Copy of the completed and signed DD Form 2642 claim form (and DD Form 2527, if used).
- Medical Certificate, Medical Report or Outpatient Department (OPD) Report.
- Original invoices that concisely show all **Itemized** medical services/procedures for that claim. Send the original signed claim form and *legible* copies of all relevant itemized invoices to WPS. That way, in case something happens, you have the documentation with which to re-file.

6. Can I claim more than one doctor's visit on a claim form?

We do not recommend that you "bundle" more than one provider per claim form. If there is a problem with one or more of the invoices in a claim, it will hold up processing of the entire claim. This means that all other invoices will not be paid until those in question have been resolved.

7. Is Automated Direct Deposit available for claim reimbursement?

YES. Once you've established a Beneficiary login account at https://www.tricare-overseas.com/, and once you login, you may sign up for claim reimbursement via direct deposit to a U.S. bank account—view the sign up instructions. After you have signed up for reimbursement via direct deposit, claims will be reimbursed in U.S. dollars only (and only to a U.S. bank account).

8. For paper checks, can I specify the currency for claim reimbursement?

YES. Indicate on your claim form the currency in which you wish to be reimbursed; such as Thai Baht. If you do not specify your preference, the claim will be reimbursed in U.S. dollars.

9. Can I specify an address other than my Thailand home address (as it appears in DEERS) to have my reimbursement check sent to?

Yes. Indicate on your claim form (or in a signed cover letter to your claim) the address where you wish to have your reimbursement check sent.

F. Status of Claims and Explanation of Benefits (EOB)

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1. How do I check the status of my claims once I have sent them to the TRICARE overseas claims processor?

To check on the status of your filed claims, you may contact **Wisconsin Physicians Service (WPS)** at **1-877-451-8659** (Madison WI), or do so via the International SOS website: https://www.tricare-overseas.com/ (you will need to register on this site to request status of your claim(s), or to answer any claims related questions of the TRICARE overseas claims processor).

2. Where can I get information on how to read my Explanation of Benefits (EOB) that I receive for the claims I submit?

- <u>Online</u>: https://www.tricare4u.com/wps/portal/tdb/tricare4u/home/about-tricare-for-life/4-understanding-eob, or TRICARE Webinar: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v="https://ww
- **TRICARE Area Office-Pacific**: Request a brochure that provides this information:
 - > <u>Telephone</u>: +81-98-970-3199, or 1-888-777-8343 option 3 (toll free if calling from the U.S.)
 - > Email: dha-tao-pacific@health.mil

As always, if you have any questions regarding your claim payment, please contact the TRICARE overseas claims processor, Wisconsin Physicians Service (WPS); Tel: 1-877-451-8659 (USA) or visit the International SOS Web Portal: https://www.tricare-overseas.com/.

3. I received a Request for Additional Information letter from WPS. What is that? Why am I being asked?

On occasion, WPS may ask a beneficiary to provide additional information to assist TRICARE in processing a claim; e.g., Verification of admittance/discharge dates, doctor's/nurse's notes, detailed lab results, physiotherapy details, medication details (strength, dosage, etc.), etc. You can collect and send the information to WPS, but the best and easiest thing to do is to pre-authorize your care provider to forward any documentation directly to WPS (if necessary):

WPS - TRICARE P.O. Box 7992 Madison WI 53707-7992

4. I received a Proof or Verification of Payment letter from WPS. What is that? Why am I being asked?

4.1. Is proof of payment required for beneficiary submitted claims?

TRICARE Overseas policy requires <u>Proof of Payment</u> with all beneficiary submitted claims for reimbursement. On occasion, Wisconsin Physicians Service (WPS) may ask a beneficiary to also provide additional information to assist TRICARE in processing a claim. If the provider was paid in cash, WPS will typically ask for proof of payment.

4.2. Why is such a request necessary?

The request for proof of payment is necessary to validate the claim in order for TRICARE to fulfill its responsibility in safeguarding benefit dollars. TRICARE may require proof of payment in accordance with federal regulations (Title 32, CFR Section 199.4).

5. What should I do if I suspect I've been overpaid (or underpaid) on a claim?

- If you believe you've been overpaid, you should contact WPS for further instructions. If you've already deposited the reimbursement check or were reimbursed via direct deposit, WPS will either send you a "Recoupment Letter" or deduct the overpayment from future reimbursement.
- If you believe you've been underpaid, you should contact WPS for further assistance: Telephone: 1-877-451-8659 (USA) **or** International SOS: https://www.tricare-overseas.com/.

6. Can I designate my claim reimbursement check to be sent to your office?

The answer is "**NO**". There are over 600 known military retirees in Thailand. As much as we deeply respect your military service, we are not chartered or staffed to assist retirees. It would clearly be impossible to extend a special favor to over 600 beneficiaries.

- <u>Reimbursement Address</u>: Be sure to input <u>your</u> Street, P.O. Box or APO box address (as listed in DEERS) on the DD Form 2642, <u>not</u> the JUSMAGTHAI TRICARE Office address. Using <u>your</u> DEERS address will help you receive your reimbursement check sooner.
- <u>Note</u>: If you're experiencing unreliable mail delivery service to your residential address, many retirees (that don't have an APO box) have chosen to open a local P.O. Box to compensate. Better yet, sign up for claim reimbursement via direct deposit to a U.S. bank account (see paragraph E.7.).

G. Availability of Dental and Vision Care

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1. I am a retiree who resides in Thailand. Is Retiree Dental and/or Vision Coverage available?

YES, for eligible TRICARE beneficiaries. It's managed by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM). TRICARE replaced the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP) with OPM's Federal Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP). Vision plans are also available to eligible TRICARE beneficiaries through FEDVIP. If you are eligible, you may enroll in FEDVIP during the annual Federal Benefits Open Season. Note: Before enrolling, ascertain provider availability in Thailand.

2. When is the annual Federal Benefits Open Season for FEDVIP?

Generally, it occurs beginning on the Monday of the second full week in November to the Monday of the second full week in December. This time frame is similar to the TRICARE Open Season.

H. Availability of TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy (TMOP)

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1. Can I obtain my medications in Thailand through the TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery program?

The short answer is "YES". To be able to fill a prescription by mail overseas, you must have:

- The sole option in Thailand is to have an Army Post Office (APO) box at JUSMAGTHAI (and abide by APO rules). (Note: If you are assigned to an embassy and do not have an APO/FPO address, you must use the embassy's official Washington, D.C. address).
- A prescription written by a prescriber who is licensed in the United States, District of Columbia or a U.S. territory. (Please also read the prescription information in paragraph 2 below.)
- <u>Note</u>: **Prescriptions cannot be mailed to private foreign addresses.** In addition, refrigerated medications cannot be shipped to APO/FPO addresses.

2. Can I submit prescriptions written by any doctor in Thailand?

By law, only prescriptions written by prescribers licensed in the United States, District of Columbia or a U.S. territory are considered valid for use with TMOP. <u>Note</u>: Prescriptions for U.S. controlled substances are unavailable outside of the U.S. United States law forbids U.S.-licensed civilian medical providers publicly practicing outside of the U.S. from having a DEA number.

3. How long will it take for me to receive my medications after my prescription has been received by Express Scripts?

To make sure you receive your refills before your current supply runs out, **reorder at least 4 weeks** beforehand. If your refill medication is in stock, 2 weeks is typically needed for order processing. Out-of-stock medication is the main cause of delivery delays. Medications are shipped in plain, weather-resistant pouches for your protection and privacy.

4. I sometimes travel home to the U.S. Can I order from Express Scripts and have my medication mailed to an address in the U.S.?

YES. Prescriber must be licensed in the United States, District of Columbia or a U.S. territory.

5. How can I learn more about the TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy program? Visit: https://tricare.mil/CoveredServices/Pharmacy/FillPrescriptions/HomeDelivery (FAQs link is at the bottom of the page; then navigate to "Pharmacy - Home Delivery Option"). You may also:

Online: Express Scripts: https://militaryrx.express-scripts.com/.

• Write: • Telephone:

Express Scripts, Inc. Pharmacy Home Delivery Customer Service (Express Scripts)

P.O. Box 52150 1-877-363-1303 (USA) – or –

Phoenix AZ 85072-9954 1-866-275-4732 (Overseas; where toll-free service is available)

Summary of Changes:

- 1. (Revised) Paragraph A3 ACS contact information (U.S. Embassy & U.S. Consulate General).
- 2. (Revised) Paragraph B2 FBU Manila went back to using an email address for general contact.
- 3. (Revised) Paragraph E3 TriWest Healthcare Alliance is the new TRICARE West contractor.
- 4. (Revised) Paragraph F2 TRICARE Area Office-Pacific (TAO-P) email address.
- 5. (Revised) Paragraph G1 Ascertain provider availability in Thailand before enrolling in FEDVIP.
- 6. (Revised) Paragraph H1 Abide by APO rules.