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Use of Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) for Laboratory Commodities

When ordering from Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) under Federal Supply Schedules, FAR 8.404 requires the ordering official to make a best value determination upon placement of each order. A recent SAF/AQC policy letter (“Use of Blanket Purchase Agreements with Federal Supply Schedules”, dated 1 May 1998) affirmed this practice stating that “competition among schedule contractors shall be obtained when awarding BPAs and resultant orders”. This policy is also contained in AFMAN 23-110, Volume 5.

Consideration of the lowest overall price alternative is implicit in the determination of best value. This requirement creates particular difficulty when ordering cost-per-test, reagent or other lab consumables because the brand of equipment utilized often necessitates the use of a specific manufacturer’s products. As a practical matter, the equipment cannot be subject to exchange each time an order is placed. Industry practice dictates the per test price and by extension aggregate cost of the function is linked not only to the volume of tests, but also the terms and conditions of the equipment rental or purchase.

To meet the intent of the regulation, a comparative analysis of aggregate cost of competing vendors should be performed by the appropriate lab personnel and coordinated through medical logistics each time a BPA for lab equipment and consumables is established. This analysis should

take into account the cost-per-test using historical usage rates or projections to estimate future volumes. The analysis should also include, where applicable, considerations of lease vs. buy, warranty, re-training expense, and any other factors that relate to the life cycle cost of the service. While cost of the service is obviously important, clinical considerations are paramount and must also be included in the analysis. Don't forget to include correlation studies that demonstrate accuracy of the test versus competitor's products or any other evidence of clinical/technical superiority (e.g. availability and timeliness of service calls). The lowest cost service is not necessarily the best value.

Documentation of the analysis needs to be kept on file for the life of the BPA. A copy should be forwarded to the contracting office upon request. If results of the analysis necessitate a change in vendors, or the current BPA will soon expire, the contracting office will need to re-establish the BPA(s). Be prepared to forward the analysis to contracting well in advance of your need date. They may also require additional documentation to support a sole source determination so program in additional time. Only in this manner can we ensure the facility is taking full advantage of changes in the state-of-the-art, which affects cost, accuracy and efficacy of tests and ultimately the quality of patient care. (HQ AFMSA/SGSLC, Mr. Albert Jacob, DSN 240-3944)

Table of Allowance (TA) Updates

Attachment 5 reflects updates to a number of medical TAs. Some changes were a result of cataloging action to replace Acquisition Advice Code 'V' and 'Y' NSNs, while the Offices of Primary Responsibility (OPR) generated other changes. These changes are provided to update your WRM and Medical Equipment Management Office records. Remember to establish prime-substitutes where applicable. (AFMLO/FOC-OT, Ms. Anne Newcomer, DSN 343-4118)

War Reserve Materiel (WRM) Project Code Revisions

AFMLL 09-98 provided a copy of the new medical WRM project code changes. Listed below are two additional changes to the project code listing.

1. Project CE has been changed to note Whole Blood Processing (ASWBPL)- McGuire and Project CI has been added noting Whole Blood Processing (ASWBPL)- Travis. Each of the ASWBPLs have different allowance standard requirements for the blood freezers, thus they were separated from being only Project CE.
2. Plans are underway to consolidate the CONUS and overseas aeromedical staging facilities (ASFs) into a single TA by size. This has not yet been completed, hence it is necessary to have project codes for both CONUS and overseas ASFs. Both the CONUS and overseas 250 bed ASFs will remain and have been assigned the following project codes:
 - ◆ 50 Bed CONUS Aeromedical Staging Facility: Now: SE-SG
 - ◆ 100 Bed CONUS Aeromedical Staging Facility: Now: SH-SJ
 - ◆ 150 Bed CONUS Aeromedical Staging Facility: Now: SK-SM
 - ◆ 250 Bed CONUS Aeromedical Staging Facility: Now: SN-SP
 - ◆ 50 Bed Overseas Aeromedical Staging Facility: Now: SQ-SR
 - ◆ 100 Bed Overseas Aeromedical Staging Facility: Now: SS-ST
 - ◆ 150 Bed Overseas Aeromedical Staging Facility: Now: SU-SV
 - ◆ 250 Bed Overseas Aeromedical Staging Facility: Now: SW-SX

If you have questions regarding these changes or need further information contact Capt Don Faust. (HQ AFMSA/SGSL, Capt Don Faust, DSN 240-3963)

Loan of Medical War Reserve Materiel (WRM) Assets

AFMAN 23-110, Volume 5, Chapter 15 has been revised to allow more flexibility in issuing medical WRM assets. Medical WRM assets may now be loaned for training exercises out of the local area, military emergencies, or natural disasters for up to 120 days. In order to loan these assets, a Memorandum of Agreement between the issuing unit and the user will be achieved, requiring the payment up front of a loan fee. The amended sections of Chapter 15 describing these changes and a sample Memorandum of Agreement are listed at **Attachment 1**.

Note: Policy for local training exercises and contingency deployments remain the same.

If you have questions, please contact Capt Don Faust, AFMSA/SGSLP at DSN 240-3963, Mr. Dale Lyons, AFMLO/FOC-A at DSN 343-4017, or your MAJCOM representative. (AFMSA/SGSLP, Capt Don Faust, DSN 240-3963)

Distribution and Pricing Agreement (DAPA) Update to the Changes Reports

DSCP is pleased to announce that the latest DAPA Deletions and Changes have been loaded to the DSCP/Medical web site. The DAPA Changes Report is generated monthly to assist customers in managing relevant changes to DAPA items. Changes in the DAPA database are matched to actual Prime Vendor (PV) sales data to ensure that customers are reviewing changes to items they actually purchase.

New files will be loaded about the middle of every month after the DAPA update. These updates will be included in the next monthly version of the UDR. The main intent is to enable you to view current changes before the UDR is published. Reports cannot be viewed on the web. They are zipped files that must be downloaded to your PC. The delete file is usually pretty manageable. The change file is generally enormous.

For Pharmaceutical items, P-(date).ZIP contains three rich text format (RTF) files of added, changed, and deleted NDCs.

For Medical/Surgical items, M-(date).ZIP contains two rich text format (RTF) files of changes and deletions. The Medical/Surgical reports are printed alphabetically by DoDAACs.

You can access the changes by selecting "DAPA Changes Report" from the DSCP Prime Vendor page or go there directly by using: <http://www.dpssc.dla.mil/medical/daparep.htm>

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Greg Wentzel at DSN 444-7124, or e-mail gwentzel@dscp.dla.mil. (AFMLO/FOM-P, Capt Albert Bainger, DSN 343-4168)

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Matters requiring AFMLO action after normal duty hours may be referred to the AFMLO Staff Duty Officer. The Staff Duty Officer may be reached at DSN 343-2400 or (301) 619-2400 between the hours of 1630 and 0700 weekdays, and anytime on weekends and holidays.

Misdirected Shipments

Defense Supply Center Philadelphia (DSCP), 2800 South 20th Street, Philadelphia PA 19145-5099 has received misdirected shipments from Air Force activities. DSCP cannot receive material. Shipments must be directed to the proper depot (Defense Distribution Depot at Mechanicsburg or Tracy), not DSCP. When shipping items, ensure to include the proper Routing Identifier Codes (RIC) on your DD Form 1348-1A. The RIC for Mechanicsburg is "SAM" and "SBM" for Tracy. The shipping address for Mechanicsburg and Tracy are listed below:

Mechanicsburg Facility Transportation Officer
Defense Distribution Depot Susquehanna PA
5450 Carlisle Pike
Mechanicsburg PA 17055-0789

Defense Distribution Depot San Joaquin
Tracy CA 95376-5000

(AFMLO/FOC-A, Ms. Joyce Hope, DSN 343-4163)

Current Status of Decentralized Blanket Purchase Agreements (DBPAs)

Pages 1 through 95 of **Attachment 3** is the quarterly updated lists of DBPAs. Pages 96 through 99 contain an alphabetic cross-reference for the current DBPAs, while pages 100 through 104 provide a category reference. A Routing Identifier Code (RIC) is included as pages 105 through 108. The DBPA program includes DBPAs negotiated by DSCP, HQ AFMSA Contracting, and Veterans Affairs, National Acquisition Center.

New and Renewed Agreements

The DBPA listed below was renegotiated by DSCP. A copy has been forwarded to the Defense Logistics Information Service (DLIS), formerly DLSC for publication in the next Universal Data Repository (UDR), and to the OPLOCs.

<u>DBPA No.</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>RIC</u>
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8602	Medeva Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	
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Agreement Modifications

Modifications listed below pertain to DSCP DBPAs. Copies were forwarded to DLIS for inclusion in the UDR.

<u>(SP0200-98-A)</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>MOD to</u>
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8532	Bausch & Lomb Surgical	Name change, address & phone number change
8547	Di-Verse Medical Service, Inc.	Substituted terms/conditions in DBPA
8561	Immuno-U.S., Inc.	Cancelled DBPA & referred calls to DBPA #A9186
9105	Pharmacia & Upjohn Diagn.	Substituted terms/conditions in DBPA
9125	Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.	Corrected DUNS
9147	Burns Podiatrics Lab., Inc.	Substituted terms/conditions in DBPA
9169	Instrument Specialists, Inc.	Corrected DUNS
9177	Marquette Medical Systems	Substituted terms/conditions in DBPA
9183	Int'l Medication Systems, Ltd.	Cancelled DBPA & referred calls to DBPA #A8602
9194	Johnson & Johnson Healthcare	Substituted terms/conditions in DBPA
9197	McNeil Pharmaceutical	Cancelled DBPA & referred calls to DBPA #9194
9214	Centeon LLC	Cancelled DBPA
9242	"A" Company Orthodontics	Substituted terms/condition in DBPA
9243	Greenwich Instrument Co.	Substituted terms/condition in DBPA
9244	Zimmer, Inc.	Substituted terms/conditions in DBPA
9246	Matthews Medical Books	Substituted terms/conditions in DBPA
9259	Ciba Vision Corp.	Substituted terms/

9274	Replacement Parts Ind.	conditions in DBPA Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9276	Metro Medical Equip. & Supply	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9281	Newark Electronics	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9283	UMI Co.	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9284	Tryco, Inc.	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9287	J.D. Medical Products, Inc.	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9294	Barco of California	Cancelled DBPA
9349	Federal Marketing Corp.	Address, phone & fax number change
9352	Products for Surgery, Inc.	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9353	B & L Healthcare Corp.	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9360	Chiron Therapeutics	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9371	Abbott Labs, Pharm. Products	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9383	CibaGenvea Pharmaceuticals	Substituted terms/ conditions in DBPA
9406	Murex Diagnostics, Inc.	Changed name to Abbott Labs, Diagn. Div eff 3/16/98, then cancelled DBPA eff 9/21/98, & referred all calls to DBPA #9253
9477	Ortho-Products, Inc.	Cancelled DBPA & Referred calls to DBPA #A9239
9479	Sullivan Schein Dental Products	Name change

Modifications listed below pertain to VANAC DBPAs. Bilateral modifications were issued to increase the call limitation to \$100,000 per call and to include FAR clause 52.232-33, "Mandatory Information for Electronic Funds Transfer Payment (Aug 1996)."

- VA0200-99-A4027 Consolidated Industries
- VA0200-99-A9156 Sims Deltec, Inc.
- VA0200-99-A9167 EBI Medical Systems, Inc.
- VA0200-99-A9182 Bayer Corp.
- VA0200-99-A9225 A. Daigger & Co.
- VA0200-99-A9324 Stryker Corp.
- VA0200-99-A9325 GLB Global Healthcare, Inc.

DBPA Expired or Cancelled in FY 99:

SP0200-99-A9463 ConMed Corp. 5 Oct 98

SP0 Agreements

The following agreements have been converted to SP0200-99A.

8502	8503	8504	8505	8506	8510	8511	8512
8513	8514	8516	8517	8518	8520	8521	8522
8524	8525	8526	8530	8531	8532	8533	8534
8538	8539	8540	8542	8544	8545	8547	8548
8549	8550	8551	8552	8553	8554	8555	8556
8557	8558	8559	8560	8563	8564	8565	8566
8567	8568	8569	8570	8572	8573	8574	8575
8576	8577	8578	8583	8584	8587	8588	8589
8590	8591	8592	8593	8594	8595	8596	8598
8600	8601	8602	9013	9018	9019	9022	9026
9027	9028	9029	9030	9038	9048	9052	9056
9057	9061	9068	9073	9074	9077	9081	9084
9085	9086	9088	9094	9095	9099	9105	9107
9114	9117	9125	9127	9128	9129	9130	9131
9133	9135	9138	9139	9141	9144	9145	9146
9147	9149	9153	9158	9159	9166	9169	9171
9172	9177	9184	9189	9194	9196	9209	9217
9224	9226	9227	9231	9232	9233	9235	9236
9238	9242	9243	9244	9245	9246	9250	9252
9255	9259	9265	9266	9267	9270	9274	9275
9276	9281	9283	9284	9287	9288	9289	9298
9299	9300	9303	9304	9310	9314	9319	9321
9322	9329	9331	9349	9353	9360	9363	9367
9369	9370	9377	9380	9383	9385	9390	9391
9403	9411	9416	9420	9425	9426	9429	9444
9453	9463	9465	9466	9467	9468	9469	9472
9475	9476	9479	9481	9482	9483	9485	9486
9487	9488	9490	9491	9497	9499	9500	

VAO Agreements

The following agreements have been converted to VA0200-99A.

4000	4003	4004	4005	4006	4011	4013	4014
4017	4018	4019	4021	4022	4023	4024	4025
4026	4027	4028	4029	4030	4031	4032	4033
4034	4036	4038	4044	4049	4051	8501	8507
8508	8509	8528	8535	8536	8537	8543	8546
8562	9002	9005	9006	9009	9014	9017	9020
9021	9032	9035	9042	9049	9050	9052	9059
9072	9090	9104	9108	9111	9112	9122	9132
9134	9136	9152	9155	9156	9160	9161	9162
9164	9167	9170	9175	9182	9185	9186	9187
9195	9198	9202	9204	9207	9210	9211	9212
9215	9219	9220	9221	9225	9228	9237	9239
9247	9253	9256	9269	9271	9278	9285	9290
9293	9296	9301	9309	9311	9316	9317	9318
9320	9323	9324	9325	9327	9334	9338	9342
9343	9350	9356	9357	9364	9378	9385	9388
9397	9402	9405	9409	9413	9414	9419	9423
9427	9430	9434	9435	9436	9437	9438	9439
9440	9441	9448	9452	9458	9464	9471	9484
9492	9493	9494	9495	9496	9498		

(AFMLO/FOM-P, Mrs. Charlotte Christian, DSN 343-4164)

Information

Medical Logistics in Action

Headquarters, Air Force Medical Support Agency (HQ AFMSA) and the Air Force Medical Logistics Office (AFMLO) extend sincere congratulations to the personnel named below for their outstanding achievements. (AFMLO/FOA, Ms. Rita Miller, DSN 343-4158)

10th Medical Group USAF Academy CO

Heather Hultman was promoted to **Airman First Class**.

2nd Medical Support Squadron Barksdale AFB LA

Tamara P. Abernathy was promoted to **Airman First Class**. **Stacey Selvidge** was promoted to **Senior Airman**. **SrA Christopher J. Correll** was selected as the 2nd Medical Support Squadron Medical Logistics Outstanding Performer of the Quarter for the period Apr – June 98.

8th Medical Group Kunsan AB KO

John Warldrip and **Gerald Smith** were promoted to **Staff Sergeant**. **Connie M. Hampton** and **Eric O. Randle** were promoted to **Technical Sergeant**. **SSgt Gerald Smith** was selected as the 8th Medical Group Airman of the Quarter for the period Apr – Jun 98. **SSgt Jeremy D. Phelps** was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal for duty performance at Kunsan AB KO. **Capt Cadina C. Powell** was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal for duty performance at Kunsan AB KO.

36th Medical Group Andersen AFB GU

Erica J. Bell was promoted to **Airman** and was selected as the 36th Medical Group Airman of the Quarter for the period Jun – Aug 98. **Nadene M. Brooks** and **Fletcher S. Valentine Jr.** were promoted to **Staff Sergeant**.

60th Medical Support Squadron Travis AFB CA

Myrthel S. Maneja was promoted to **Senior Airman**. **TSgt Robert Smothers** was selected as the 60th Medical Support Squadron Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter for the period Jul – Sep 98. **MSgt Ray Parker** was selected as the 60th Medical Support Squadron Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter for the period Jul – Sep 98.

51st Medical Support Squadron Osan AB KO

Joseph Raines was promoted to **Senior Airman**. **Albert Laberdesque** was promoted to **Technical Sergeant**. **SSgt Jesse Pena** was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal (1st OLC) for duty performance while assigned to Lackland AFB TX. **SSgt Franklin Veal** was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal (1st OLC) for duty performance while assigned to Minot AFB ND. **SrA Carlita Scott** was awarded the Air Force Achievement Medal (1st OLC) for duty performance while assigned to Dover AFB DE. **A1C Robin Penney** was awarded the Air Force Achievement Medal for duty performance while assigned to Yokota AB JA. **SrA Nakia Lorquet** was presented the 51st Medical Group "Mirror Image" award.

82nd Medical Support Squadron Sheppard AFB TX

Adam B. Jones was promoted to **Airman**. **SMSgt Richard W. Caswell** was awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for duty performance while assigned to Geilenkirchen AB GE. **Capt Kenneth A. Hill** was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for his duty performance while assigned to the Air Force Medical Logistics Office, Fort Detrick MD. **MSgt Rito Alvarado** successfully coached Sheppard's base Varsity A softball team to victory in the World Armed Forces Softball Championship.

375th Medical Group Scott AFB IL

Milledge Dantzler was promoted to **Senior Airman**. **A1C Ray Royal** was selected as the 375th Medical Support Squadron Airman of the Quarter for period Apr – Jun 98. **MSgt Brad Gould** was selected as the 375th Medical Support Squadron Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter for the period Apr – Jun 98. **SSgt Roger Miller** was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal for duty performance while assigned to the 51st Medical Group, Osan AB KO.

384th Training Squadron Sheppard AFB TX

The following personnel completed the Medical Materiel Apprentice Course, J3ABR4A131.001.

Class: 980811
Graduation Date: 980915
Instructor: SSgt Jeffery Phillips, IV

A1C Kevin Hill	ANG OK
SrA Wilfredo Martinez	McChord AFB WA
*TSgt James McFarland	McChord AFB WA
SrA Kandi Morseamick	ANG AZ
SSgt Bruce Odams	Andrews AFB MD
SSgt Henry Padua	McGuire AFB NJ
AB Gina Perez	Bolling AFB DC
AB Juan Ramirez	McConnell AFB KS
A1C Nicholas Reynolds	ANG OK
A1C Theresa Smith	Bolling AFB DC
AB Sarah York	Kadena AB JA

The following personnel completed the Medical Materiel Apprentice Course, J3ABR4A131.001.

Class: 980901
Graduation Date: 981005
Instructor: SSgt Sharon St. Clair

AB Eugenia Arango	Ft. Dix NJ
A1C Vanessa Billy	Andrews AFB MD
AB James Comstock	Grand Forks AFB ND
SSgt Isham Debro	Robins AFB GA
AB Peter Faust	Andrews AFB MD
AB Branda Fitzpatrick	Andrews AFB MD
SSgt Tracy Frank	McGuire AFB NJ
SSgt William Goodwin	March AFB CA
AB Carolyn Hobson	March AFB CA
TSgt Kevin Moore	McGuire AFB NJ
AB Aaron Reese	Yokota AB JA
SrA Anthony Taylor	Tinker AFB OK
SSgt Terrance Taylor	Kelly AFB TX
AB Scott Williams	Ellsworth AFB SD

The following personnel completed the Biomedical Equipment Apprentice Course, J3ABR4A231.001.

Class: 980213

Instructor: TSgt Randall Binkney

*A1C	Nathaniel	Malmstrom	AFB
Bridgewater		MT	
Amn Benjamin Light		Ramstein AB GE	
A1C Pierre Malboeuf		Wright-Patterson	
		AFB OH	
*A1C Rick McMinn		Eglin AFB FL	
A1C Neil Petta		Yokota AB JA	
A1C Anthony Wheatley		Peterson AFB CO	

** Honor Graduate*

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