

Chapter 9

DISENROLLMENT AND DISCHARGE

9-1. HIGHLIGHTS

a. Disenrollment from HPSP occurs automatically upon failure to maintain eligibility, including but not limited to, disenrollment from school for any reason, loss of eligibility for military service or the scholarship, medical disqualification, or call to active duty regardless of completed academic requirements.

b. You must first submit AR discharge requests (paragraph 9-2) to: The Defense Health Headquarters, Office of the Surgeon General of the Army, Student Management Office, Undergraduate Education Division, Medical Education Directorate at: ATTN: DASG-PSZ-MU, 7700 Arlington Blvd, Falls Church, VA, 22042, **in the EXCAT format discussed in this chapter.**

c. You may be considered for involuntary HPSP disenrollment for deficiency in conduct, studies or other reasons; and has the opportunity to respond through due process procedures (without personal appearance) to the address above.

d. You enter AD in a branch of service based on Army needs or are processed for discharge and recoupment.

9-2. DISENROLLMENT

Disenrollment is outlined in AR 601-141, chapter 2, paragraph 2-13. A participant considered for involuntary disenrollment must be given due process pursuant to paragraph 9-2 below. Participants may be considered for involuntary disenrollment under the guidelines set by AR 601-141 if it is determined to be in the best interest of the Government, and for a participant's exceeding the maximum authorized leave of absence period or administrative or contractual noncompliance.

9-3. DUE-PROCESS

This is outlined in AR 601-141, chapter 2, paragraph 2-14. When it is determined that circumstances may warrant involuntary disenrollment, due-process shall be afforded to the participant. Failure on the part of the participant to keep contact addresses and phone numbers current does not delay the proceedings.

a. An appeal is not automatic and is outlined in AR 601-141, Chapter 2, Paragraph 2-14c.

b. The Commander, AHRC, retains jurisdiction on any determinations regarding military status, including discharge from the AR.

9-4. DISCHARGE

Discharge is outlined in AR 601-141, chapter 2, paragraph 2-15. This regulation can be found under the general information tab <https://www.mods.army.mil/medicaleducation> when viewing online.

a. Approval is rare and if granted results in disenrollment from the HPSP. Participants may be placed on administrative leave of absence pending the outcome of the request.

b. A request for waiver of the ADO must be included with the request. Waiver of the ADO does not relieve a participant of the RSO and does not preclude an alternative obligation being imposed.

c. A request for discharge must include the following 7 paragraphs:

(1) Paragraph 1. I, (name, rank, SSN) hereby tender my unqualified resignation as a Reserve officer of the Army, USAR, under the provisions of AR 135-175.

(2) Paragraph 2. I am submitting this resignation because (give your reasons for the request).

(3) Paragraph 3. I am presently assigned to the U.S. Army Human Resources Command (AHRC), Control Group Officer Active Duty Obligor (OADO), U.S. Army Human Resources Command, ATTN: AHRC-OPH-PAI, Incentives Branch, 1600 Spearhead Division Ave DEPT #270 Fort Knox, KY 40122. I have been a participant in the Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP) for _____ years, _____ months and _____ days. I have incurred an active duty service obligation of _____ years _____ months, and _____ days for HPSP participation.

(4) Paragraph 4. I understand that if my resignation is accepted, I am entitled to an honorable discharge certificate.

(5) Paragraph 5. I further understand that if my resignation is accepted, under the terms of my service agreement I may be required to reimburse the government for the full amount of funds expended

on my behalf, plus interest, as required by law for my HPSP participation as the Secretary of the Army may direct. I (do or do not) object to any requirement to reimburse the government as previously described. I (do or do not) request a waiver of any requirement to reimburse the government.

(6) Paragraph 6. I understand that if my resignation is accepted, under the terms of my service agreement I may be required to perform an alternative service obligation in another armed force for a period of time not less than my remaining active duty service obligation or in a component of the Selected Reserve for a period not less than twice as long as my remaining active duty service obligation. I (do or do not) object to an alternative service obligation on active duty in another armed force. I (do or do not) object to an alternative service obligation in a component of the Selected Reserve.

(7) Paragraph 7. I can be reached at (give home and work number).

9-5. ADDRESS FOR SUBMISSION

Ensure the request is first mailed to: The Defense Health Headquarters, Office of the Surgeon General of the Army, Student Management Office, Undergraduate Education Division, Medical Education Directorate at: ATTN: DASG-PSZ-MU, 7700 Arlington Blvd, Falls Church, VA, 22042 for an appropriate recommendation. The request will not be processed by any other agency without this recommendation. The request, along with an appropriate recommendation, will then be forwarded to: U.S. Army Human Resources Command (AHRC) where further review is conducted and recommendation will be added or the discharge request may be disapproved. Requests on which AHRC recommends discharge will then be forwarded to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) (ASA (M&RA)), if required, for a final determination. Do not send the request directly to the AHRC or ASA (M&RA) since these offices will not act upon the request without the appropriate recommendations.

9-6. BRANCH ASSIGNMENT UPON DISENROLLMENT

Except for nursing HPSP, disenrolled students are not normally qualified for other AMEDD branches except the Medical Service Corps. Students who are not accepted for active duty are referred to AHRC for disposition, which may include discharge and/or recoupment.

a. Participants are reported to AHRC for coordination of branch assignments (e.g. Adjutant General Corps, Transportation Corps, Infantry, etc.).

b. Prior service officers and anesthesia nursing participants may be ordered to active duty in their previous or respective branches or assigned a branch of service based on Army needs.

c. All other HPSP participants, if accepted, may be commissioned in the Medical Service Corps or assigned a branch of service based on Army needs.

d. Personnel who are not accepted for active duty are forwarded to AHRC with a recommendation for discharge and recoupment of entitlements or an alternative service obligation.

e. A determination is made on the participant's medical qualification for active duty entry. Qualified individuals are then ordered to active duty to fulfill their active duty obligation. The process can take up to 3 months