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The TRICARE Management Activity has authorized the following addition(s)/revision(s).

CHANGE TITLE: TRICARE RESERVE SELECT (TRS) UPDATE

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PAGE CHANGE(S): See page 2.

SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): This change updates existing procedures and policies related to the TRS health plan. 1) Following Office of General Counsel (OGC) review, it was determined that being eligible to enroll in a health benefits plan under Chapter 89 of the Title 5 USC, the Federal Employees Health Benefit Program (FEHBP) is NOT an exclusionary criteria for TRS members' survivors. 2) A second change is related to the timing of TRS coverage purchase following the termination of coverage under another TRICARE program. 3) Contractors will be directed to pend claims associated with a TRS member's newborn/adoptee for 60 days, or until the child is added to the TRS policy/plan. 4) The impact of the final proposed change is to not immediately disqualify and terminate coverage for TRS members who become eligible for FEHBP. Instead, such members will be allowed to continue their TRS coverage for a period of up to 45 days, allowing them time to transfer/change their coverage as they see fit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2010.

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 1, 2010.

This change is made in conjunction with Aug 2002 TSM, Change No. 84.


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