




To: Department of Defense Customers
From: CDR Tomas Bonome 
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Re: Cancellation of FOH Interagency Agreements with DoD

Effective in 60 days, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Federal Occupational Health Service (FOH) is invoking the cancellation clause in its interagency agreements (IAAs) with the Department of Defense (DoD). This correspondence serves as the cancellation notice required in FOH IAAs with DoD components.

FOH is a division of the HHS Program Support Center (PSC). As a result of an internal review that is ongoing, PSC has determined that it does not have the policies and procedures necessary to continue providing FOH services to DoD in fiscal year (FY) 2020. Some DoD components have experienced a break in employee assistance and other related FOH services. PSC is undertaking the contract actions necessary to restore services to the affected DoD components. PSC anticipates that services will be restored within the next week.

Concerning PSC's decertification under Section 801 of the FY 2008 National Defense Authorization Act, PSC has sought guidance from the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment) regarding the waiver requirement. It is PSC's understanding that the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment) intends to issue a class waiver for FOH services during the 60-day IAA cancellation period.

To assist DoD in contracting for the services DoD was receiving through FOH contracts, PSC has named Tomas Bonome (Tomas.Bonome@foh.hhs.gov) as the point of contact for information concerning the scope of work for FOH contracts. PSC anticipates an orderly termination of the affected IAAs over the next 60 days.

Questions concerning this policy decision should be directed to Tomas Bonome (Tomas.Bonome@foh.hhs.gov) with a courtesy copy to Evelyn Kappeler (evelyn.kappeler@hhs.gov).