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REFER TO:

COMSCINST 6100.3 N14 18 September 2000

COMSC INSTRUCTION 6100.3

Subj: COMMANDERS ANNUAL HEALTH PROMOTION UNIT AWARD ("GREEN H")

Encl: (1) COMSC Green "H" Nomination Form (MSC 6100/1)

1. <u>Purpose</u>. To enhance readiness by promoting the health, fitness and mental wellbeing of the active duty sailors and civilian mariners of the Military Sealift Command (MSC). To encourage participation in health promotion initiatives and to provide formal recognition to MSC units that have excelled in establishing and promoting a command conducive to health promotion.

2. <u>Background</u>. Fifty to eighty percent of all premature deaths and illnesses in the United States are the result of unhealthy lifestyle habits, including poor diet, lack of exercise, tobacco abuse, alcohol use and unmanaged stress. Avoidable injuries, especially to the lower back, and uncontrolled hypertension (high blood pressure) also adversely affect health. Positive changes in lifestyle and behavior can result in better health, enhanced quality of life and improved readiness.

3. <u>Eligibility</u>. All MSC units are eligible for award of the Commanders Annual Health Promotion Unit Award ("Green H").

4. <u>Awarding Period</u>. The qualifying period for this award will be from 1 January to 31 December of each year.

5. <u>Action</u>. The following procedures outline the nominating process:

a. Commanding Officer

(1) Submit a Commanders Annual Health Promotion Unit Award nomination application, enclosure (1), by 31 December of each year to COMSC (N14) via their Area Commanders. Although units need not have all of the surveyed programs in place to qualify for the subject award, all questions in enclosure (1) need to be addressed.

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(2) Submit Health Risk Appraisal (HRA) summary report to their respective Medical Office East/West by 31 December. Units are encouraged to review their HRA data on a quarterly basis in order to facilitate trend analysis and target health promotion efforts.

b. <u>Area Commanders</u>. Nominations will be reviewed and endorsed by the Area Commander and forwarded to COMSC (N14) to arrive not later than 15 January. Area Commanders will also ensure that appropriate ceremony and delivery of Commanders Annual Health Promotion Unit Awards to units within their respective areas of responsibility take place.

c. Commander, Military Sealift Command

(1) Appoint a board chaired by the Force Medical Officer. The board shall include wellness and health promotion subject matter experts to evaluate all nomination packages received and recommend to the Commander qualifying candidates for the Commanders Annual Health Promotion Unit Award.

(2) Annually publish message by mid-February, announcing winners of the "Green H" for the previous year.

(3) Annually publish message by 1 April, containing the precepts of the board for that year's award.

d. <u>Winning Units</u>. Units receiving the Commanders Annual Health Promotion Unit Award are authorized, upon receipt of the award, to paint a green "H" on their bridge wing.

6. <u>Forms</u>. An electronic version of MSC 6100/1 is available by forwarding a request to cheryl.miller@msc.navy.mil or nancy.barr@msc.navy.mil.

"Signed" G. S. HOLDER

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MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND GREEN "H" NOMINATION FORM FOR CALENDAR YEAR_____

DEMOGRAPHICS/POC									
COMMAND	HULL NO./SHORE	TOTAL CREW							
HEALTH PROMOTION COORDINATOR (HPC)		HPC RANK							
HPC PHONE	HPC FAX	HPC E-MAIL							
COMMAND SUPPORT									
			YES	NO					
Does your Command have a Health Promotion Instruction/SOP?									
Has your Command HPC had formal training?									
If yes, formal training attended:									
Does your Command have a Health Promotion Committee?									
If yes, list members' primary job.									
COMMAND GOALS									
What were your health promotion goals for th									
What were your health promotion goals for the past year?									
What activities did you undertake to accomplish these goals?									
How did you measure the effectiveness of these goals?									
PHYSICAL READINESS (If applicable)									
	Spring PRT Cyc	le	Fall PRT Cycle						
# of PRT Failures									
# Out of Standards									
# Placed on Remedial PRT									
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HEALTH RISK APPRAISAL									
Assessment method/tool:									
Number of assessments completed	l:								
Does your command have a formal promotion areas?	means of	crew edu	ucation/counseling and monitoring the f	ollowing he	ealth				
	YES	NO		YES	NO				
Hypertension			Anger/Stress Management						
Substance Abuse			Suicide Awareness/Prevention						
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			Pastoral Care Services						
Injury Prevention			Nutrition (See Note 1)						
Tobacco Cessation			(Note 1:Scores from nutrition related elements of unit's						
If yes for Tobacco Cessation:			last LMA will be consulted (if applicable).)						
 What type of program: 									
• # of participants?									
 # of successful quitters: 									
BEST PRACTICE									
Describe a specific program your command has in place that could be instituted MSC-wide to better the health of our civilian employees and sailors.									