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YELLOW FEVER VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USAFRICOM THEATER

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Ref A is the ACI 4200.09B Force Health Protection Requirements and Medical Guidance for Entry into the U.S. Africa Command Theater.

Ref B is the World Health Organization International Health Regulation

(2005) Annex for Yellow Fever Vaccine Requirements.

Ref C is the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Yellow Fever Vaccine Information for Healthcare Providers.

Ref D is Travax Information on Yellow Fever:

<https://private.travax.com/library/yellow-fever>.

Ref E is the World Health Organization Yellow Fever Vaccine Position on the Use of Fractional Doses, June 2017, Vol 92, 25.

Ref F is the Yellow Fever Vaccine Shortage and Vaccination Requirements for the U.S. Africa Command (USAFRICOM) Theater (Modification 1 - Removal of 10-Year Booster and Exception for Morocco, Tunisia, and Comoros).//

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GENTEXT/REMARKS/

1. (U) YELLOW FEVER VACCINE REQUIREMENTS.

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1.A. (U) As of 11 Jul 2016, the World Health Organization (WHO) has eliminated the 10-year requirement for Yellow Fever Vaccination (YF-VAX), and the International Health Regulation now recognizes lifetime

validity of YF-VAX. ACI 4200.09 (Ref A) Enclosure 2, 10.b(1) requires

a single lifetime dose of the YF-VAX for entry to the USAFRICOM theater for all Department of Defense (DoD) personnel for both leisure and official travel.

1.B. (U) YF-VAX must be administered at least 10 days prior to arrival to Africa, IAW Ref A. Vaccination must be documented on the CDC 731, International Certificate for Vaccination or Prophylaxis (ICVP), with an official yellow fever certificate stamp.

1.C. (U) YF-VAX doses administered less than 10 days prior to arrival to Africa as well as requests for waivers of exemption from the YF-VAX will be assessed by the USAFRICOM Command Surgeon's office.

1.D. (U) It is recommended that individuals who obtained YF-VAX on or before 2016, obtain a new ICVP that states "life of person vaccinated" in the certification of validity space. Validity begins 10 days after the date of vaccination (Ref B).

1.E. (U) A single dose of YF-VAX provides long-term immunity; however, countries with high transmission of yellow fever may require a booster every 10 years. In consultation with a travel medicine specialist, personnel should receive a booster every 10 years as determined necessary by the provider IAW Ref C. Current individual country entry requirements may be found on the Electronic Foreign Clearance Guide (EFCG) and Travax (Ref D). Units may consult the USAFRICOM Command Surgeon's office for additional insight.

1.F. (U) Fractional dose is not acceptable for meeting an entry requirement at an international border. Travelers who received a fractional dose of YF-VAX previously recommended during the 2017-2020

YF-VAX shortage need to be revaccinated with a full dose of YF-VAX, regardless of the interval since that dose IAW Ref E.

1.G. (U) Due to changes in YF-VAX guidance since 2017, this GENADMIN rescinds and replaces Ref F.

2. (U) EXCEPTIONS.

2.A. (U) Only three countries within the USAFRICOM AOR have no YF-VAX entry requirements and no endemic risk of yellow fever: Comoros, Morocco, and Tunisia. DoD personnel traveling to Comoros, Morocco, and Tunisia, without a layover in a yellow fever endemic country, are exempt from the YF-VAX requirement for both leisure and official travel.

2.B. (U) DoD personnel traveling to all other countries in the USAFRICOM AOR, regardless of the presence or absence of endemic yellow fever, require a single lifetime dose of YF-VAX, to ensure freedom of

movement and compliance with administrative entry requirements. Deviations to this requirement require consultation with the USAFRICOM Command Surgeon's office.

3. (U) Dependents, Retirees, and other DoD beneficiaries traveling to the USAFRICOM theater should comply with host nation requirements and follow the American Council of Immunization Practices (ACIP) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendations as clinically indicated (Ref C).

4. (U) The importance of personal protective measures as detailed in Ref A, Enclosure 5, 2., cannot be overemphasized.

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