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MEMORANDUM FOR NG J1 RRF (All-Entire RRF)

SUBJECT: SMOM 19-005, Enlistment Eligibility and Processing of CAT IV-A Applicants

1. References.

a. Memorandum, ARNG-HRH, subject: Extension of FY17/18 Army National Guard (ARNG) Accessions Options Criteria (AOC), PPOM 18-030, 17 October 2018.

a. Memorandum, ARNG-HRH, subject: FY17/18 Army National Guard Accessions Options Criteria, PPOM 17-032, 11 July 2017.

b. Army Regulation (AR) 601-210, Active and Reserve Component Enlistment Program, 30 August 2016.

2. Purpose. Provide updated guidance on processing CAT IV-A applicants.

3. This memorandum amends the enlistment eligibility and processing of applicants categorized as CAT IV-A outlined in PPOM 17-032.

4. Eligibility. Effective 17 December 2018, applicants categorized as CAT IV-A (AFQT 16-30) are eligible to enlist granted they meet the criteria outlined below.

5. Trainability. Applicants categorized as CAT IV-A are eligible to enlist with the following education credentials.

- a. High School Diploma Graduate (HSDG)
- b. High School Senior (HSSR)
- c. Alternate High School Credential Holders (AHSCH)
- d. General Equivalency Diploma Holders (GEDH)
- e. GED from Youth Challenge Program (GEDX)

6. Aptitude Waivers. These waivers are processed by the MEPS GC to the Request Operations Center (ROC).

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a. Telephonic or electronic overrides up to five points for select MOSs as outlined in the current AOC are authorized and do not require an ASO suitability review.

b. Points are not authorized to be split between multiple categories.

7. Enlistment Waivers. Applicants categorized as CAT IV-A who require a TAG Level Moral or Administrative waiver may be considered for enlistment.

8. This message will expire on 30 September 2019 unless rescinded or superseded.

9. POC for this action is the Recruiting Operations Branch NCOIC, MSG Rory Nelor at 703-607-3172, rory.c.nelor.mil@mail.mil or the Chief, Accessions Suitability Office, Mr. Greg Williamson at 502-626-0084, greg.c.williamson.civ@mail.mil.

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