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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (M&RA)
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SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum for Name Change of the DoD Automated Health
Assessment Tool from HEAR to HART

The Health Assessment Review Tool (HART) is a further evolution of the Health Evaluation Assessment Review (HEAR) and will soon be available on TRICARE Online. The HART remains the DoD automated health assessment instrument. The tool is designed to inform patients and their Primary Care Managers (PCM) about preventive health needs, health risks, chronic disease history, and health status. This data will be collected and aggregated to provide reports on the Military Health System population's health status, as well as provide patients and their PCMs with an actionable health risk report.

The HART has several variants including the HART-A (Accession), to be given upon accession to the military as a baseline history, and the HART-R (Readiness), which the Services will use to facilitate the Preventive Health Assessment requirement. This begins the process of establishing a life-long health assessment of the active duty population as they progress through their career and into retirement.

Please provide widest dissemination to ensure your personnel are familiar with the name change and intent of the HART process. My point of contact for this subject is Commander Cynthia Gantt at (703) 681-0064.


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