

I'm excited to send out my first RIO Buzz as the new commander of HQ RIO. I appreciate the warm welcome! Important info ahead, so let's get to the Buzz:

#### DON'T LET vPC SUNSETTING CAUSE YOU A "GAP REPORT"

**For those that still have an outstanding Evaluation in vPC (evals with a close out date of 2022 or earlier):** Once vPC closes, you will lose the ability to complete your evaluation for that time frame. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DO THAT REPORT IN MYEVAL AND YOU WILL HAVE A GAP REPORT IN YOUR RECORDS. For those in this situation, you should feel the pressure to get that eval finalized. As of the writing of this, you have 33 days to get your Active Component unit to finalize that report.

Remember, it is significantly more difficult to be recognized/selected for DT, Promotion, and Education boards if you are missing an evaluation.

Your Active Duty CSS is the one completing this (your Det may have additional resources but they will not be able to finalize your Eval as they do not have access to your MilPDS). We understand that some IRs are having issues with the AC unit's inability to access your records. If this is the case, please reference [this guidance](#) with the updated instructions for your CSS.

#### WE ARE UNDER A CONTINUING RESOLUTION, NOW WHAT?

Congress passed a continuing resolution just prior to the end of the FY. That means until at least 17 November, IRs can perform IDTs as well as approved AT, MPA, RPA, etc. As we get closer to this CR expiring, we will again await the passage of a full budget or another CR. Without that, the government will enter a shut down on 18 November until one of those two things happen.

Keep this in mind if you are planning to begin orders or IDTs at that time. Just as we urge IRs not to plan AT or IDTs right at the beginning of the FY, it's also important to keep track of any CRs and their expiration so that planned duty can be performed without the possibility of a government shutdown changing your plans at the last moment.

#### PLEASE JOIN ME FOR MY FIRST IR ALL CALL

I hope you'll mark your calendar to tune in to one of two IR All Calls I'll be hosting 19 Oct. In order to accommodate IRs around the world and in various time zones, there will be All Calls at 1000 and 1400 EDT that day; you only need to attend one. Although it's virtual, I'm still very much looking forward to meeting some of the Airmen HQ RIO serves. You can find all the details [HERE](#).

#### DTS TRANSITION QUICK GUIDES AND ADDITIONAL TRAINING COMING SOON

We realize many of you still have a lot of questions regarding the transition to DTS. HQ RIO is hard at work finalizing quick guides and preparing more training. Stay tuned for a separate email very soon with links and more information.

#### IT'S TIME FOR FLU SHOTS

It's that time of year again. All reservists must get a flu shot and provide that documentation to their AC MTF or HQ RIO Medical. Right now, unless already completed, members are showing YELLOW on this

portion of their myIMR. On Dec 15, that turns red. You can receive a flu shot at any MTF, or at most doctor's offices and drug stores. The IMR Quick Guide [HERE](#) will give you more information.

**LAST CHANCE: IMA STRATEGIC REVIEW TEAMS NEEDS YOUR HELP ASSESSING IMA ADMIN WORKLOAD**

The IMA Strategic Review Team needs your help to capture pertinent data about the administrative workload and time it takes our IMAs to complete various tasks. THIS IS AN ANONYMOUS QUESTIONNAIRE (Yes, we know it's in Google, but we're only tracking the data). It's important for us to capture as many part-time IMA responses as possible between now and Oct. 15th. We appreciate your time! Survey [HERE](#). (Please note this link will not work on a government computer, but can be accessed from a personal computer or device.) Thanks again and I look forward to working with such a talented and motivated team,

Very respectfully,

Col Nathan "N8" Day

HQ RIO Commander