# Council and Independent Presidents Seminar February 22, 2023



## Agenda

- Advocacy in Action Update (Allison)
- Council President's Seminar
- AiA Travel Administration
- CCA Program Updates and Reminders
- Important Meetings and Dates
- Discussion



## AiA Topics 2023

- Restore BAH to 100%
- Reverse TRICARE
  Pharmacy Network Cuts
- Support the All-Volunteer Force (Leave Behind)





## **Sequence of Events**

- Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>-Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>:
  - Board Meetings
- Monday, April 24th:
  - Council Presidents' Icebreaker Reception and Buffet Dinner
- Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>:
  - Partner Presentations for Council Presidents
  - AiA Prep Briefings
  - MOAA Awards Ceremony (Marix Awards)



## **Sequence of Events**

- Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>:
  - Advocacy Appointments with Members of Congress
  - Advocacy in Action Dinner
- Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>:
  - Council President's Breakfast
  - Council and Chapter Seminar
  - Luncheon



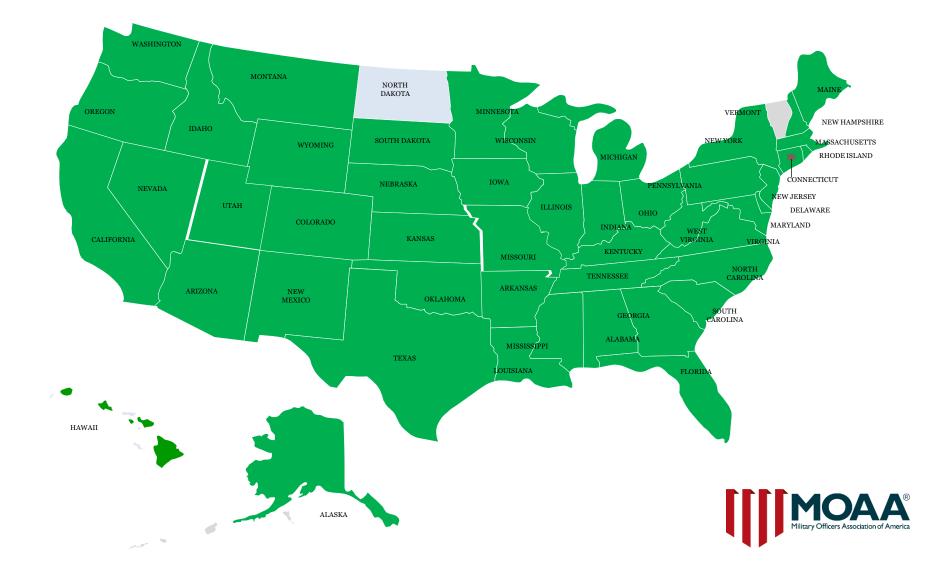
## **Next Steps**

- Legislative Leaders
  website access
  - Moaa.org/legisleaders
  - Training Materials
  - Making Appointments
- Final AiA Teams list
  - Staff/board/advisory council participation
- Legislative Action Center





## **Council and Chapter Participation**



## **Council President Seminar**

- Thursday, 27 April 9:00-4:00 PM
- Final Agenda Under Development
- Focus Areas:
  - Chairman / CEO Opening Remarks
  - Vice President Panel
  - Evolution in Information Sharing
- Volunteer Leader Feedback
- Current Programs Familiarization



### AiA Travel Guidance and Reimbursement

- Email released to all registered for AiA
- Points to CCA Administration page
- Access to following documents:
  - Travel memo
  - Reimbursement form
  - W9 and ACH information
- Secure drop box for ALL documents
- Pre-Approval for greater than \$600 airfare

## **Program Updates**

- Fonteva Cutover March/April 2023
- Harris Communications Awards
- Levels of Excellence Awards
- End of Year Recruitment Payouts
- Stipends for Travel and Video Payouts

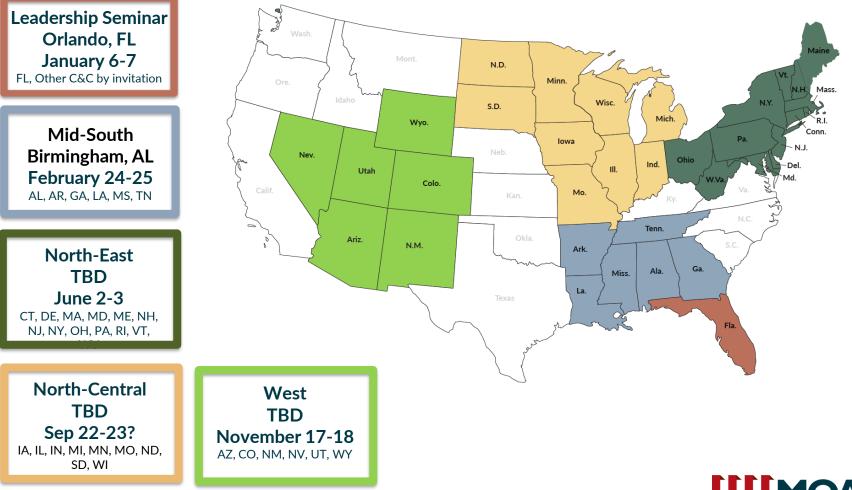


## **Program Reminders**

- Electronic Email Submission:
  - Requires 30-45 days in advance
  - Submit supplemental text via email
- Awards Program
  - Requires 45 days in advance
- Travel Program
  - Requires 45 days in advance
  - CY: 18 completed and 42 scheduled



#### **2023 Leader Training Workshops**





### 2023 Roundtable Schedule



Last Thursday of each month (\*exception), at 7:00 pm ET



### **Back Up Slides**



## #1: Restore BAH to 100%

- Congress authorized BAH at 100% in 2005
- In 2015, Congress reduced BAH to 95% of the housing costs – putting 5% of housing costs on the troops
- Recently, due to rampant inflation, DoD used their authorities to raise BAH in high-cost areas but did not adjust the percentage calculations
- Servicemembers go where told, and compete for the better neighborhoods and schools without the full support from BAH—adding to stress and strain of the moves
- Our troops deserve 100% of their BAH



## #2: Reverse TRICARE Pharmacy Network Cuts

- Express Scripts cut 14K independent pharmacies as a result of DHA reducing network requirements
- The network cut reduced choices and options for many TRICARE beneficiaries
- Some long-term care, chronic disease patients, and rural residents no longer have access to a network pharmacy to meet their needs; an example of one such facility impacts 100 TRICARE patients
- This is another example of an eroded benefit—MOAA is poised to fix this with the help from Congress

## Leave Behind Support the All-Volunteer Force

MOAA's Mission: To preserve and protect earned benefits for our uniformed services, veterans, their families, and surviving spouses through advocacy, leadership, education, and service.

- Recruiting/retention = U.S. world class all-volunteer force
- Recruiting and retention challenges continue in the news
- Erosion of benefits and troop cuts detract from service
- Our nation must take better care of those who serve, or have ever served, to include their families and survivors
- MOAA's advocacy priorities and grassroots support are more inclusive of many issues beyond AiA

## **MOAA's Legislative Action Center**

- 4 ways to get there:
- Direct link: moaa.quorum.us
- Text "MOAA" to 1-855-547-6921
- MOAA.org > Advocacy > "<u>Legislative Action</u>
  <u>Center</u>"
- Scan the QR code below:





## **MOAA's Legislative Action Center**



Action Center Tutorial

Return to MOAA.org

Hello, Allison! -



#### Active Legislative Campaigns

#### Help Support Military Family Access to Mental Health Care

Help MOAA build support for H.R. 4824, the Stop Copay Overpay Act, which would reduce TRICARE copays for mental health visits and address the financial barrier to accessing mental health services.

Write

#### \*Example 'Call to Action' Campaign

#### Action Center Link: moaa.quorum.us

