

**TRICARE Coverage Continuity  
(Health and Dental Care)  
Resolution 19-27**

**WHEREAS**, there has been increased utilization of the National Guard and Reserve in support of operations as reflected in a 2013 Congressional Research Service report on Reserve Component Personnel Issues states that Reservists have been involuntarily activated for federal service six times over the past 23 years; and

**WHEREAS**, reservists no longer just supplement but at times replace active forces in military operations worldwide as proven by the last 18 years at war with over 900,000 mobilizations; and

**WHEREAS**, individuals perform duty in different categories and each category has medical coverage that begins and ends with while on orders for that particular duty status; and

**WHEREAS**, individuals can be on back-to-back orders but because the orders are for a different duty status, they will be disenrolled and then reenrolled in TRICARE causing gaps in medical coverage due to processing lags in the system which can cause disruption of family medical coverage; and

**WHEREAS**, the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Committee found that lack of continuity was a significant problem for Guard and Reserve members and their families;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that ROA, chartered by Congress, urge Congress to establish legislation that provides continuity of coverage regardless of duty status.

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Adopted by the National Council on 13 Feb 2008

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