



WARRIOR MEDIC NOTAM – 59MDW-19-03  
Enlisted Professional Military Education Deferments  
11 March 2019



**PURPOSE:** To implement 59th Medical Wing (MDW) Enlisted Professional Military Education (EPME) deferment policy.

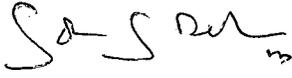
**COMMANDER'S INTENT:** The 59 MDW Commander's intent is to delegate deferment authority to the Squadron Commander for members selected to attend EPME who require deferment for official, validated reasons.

**BACKGROUND:** Per AFI 36-2656, *Developmental Education*, para 4.7.2, Air Force Guidance Memorandum to Air Force Instruction AFI 33-360; Table 1.1 and Personnel Services Delivery Guide dated 26 APR 18, Wing Commanders are authorized to delegate EPME deferments to the Squadron Commander or equivalent.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. Effective upon signature of this NOTAM, the 59 MDW/CC delegates EPME deferment authority to Squadron Commanders or equivalent for the following in-residence courses:
  - a. Non-Commissioned Officer Academy (NCOA)
  - b. Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy (SNCOA)
  - c. Chief Leadership Course (CLC)
2. If an Airman requires deferment due to local mission requirements, medical reasons, hardships including (but not limited to) maternity, deployments, deployed military spouse with dependents, or in-loco parentis (per AFI 36-3003) concerns, the Airman must submit a deferment request to their Squadron Commander as soon as possible, but no later than 10 calendar days prior to the class start date IAW AFI 36-2656, para 4.7.5.2. Forward all deferments to AFPC/DP3DW and the AETC EPME Manager.
3. The deferring unit will work with fellow units through the 59 MDW First Sergeants network to identify a suitable replacement with requisite time-in-grade prior to forwarding the official deferment request, if at all possible.
4. Deferments affect reenlistment and promotion eligibility, have career implications, and impact EPME scheduling. Squadron Commanders will submit EPME deferments on an as-needed basis.

POC: Direct questions regarding this NOTAM to the 59 MDW Command Chief at DSN 554-7015.

  
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