



Pentagon weighs limiting PCS moves to create more stability for military families

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Troops could soon spend more time on station in an effort to cut down on the upheaval military families face when moving every few years, according to a top Pentagon official. Too many permanent-change-of-station (PCS) moves cause unnecessary stress for servicemembers and their families, Robert Wilkie, the new undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness, told the *Fayetteville Observer*. PCS moves limit military spouses' careers, force troops' children to change schools too often, and strain the Pentagon's budget.

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Tricare allotment snafu hits more than 4,000 Prime beneficiaries

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More than 4,000 Tricare Prime beneficiaries in the former North region must make a one-time payment to cover their January enrollment fees thanks to mistakes with their allotments during the transition to the new Tricare East region contractor. Humana Military, the contractor for the new East region, will send a letter to the affected beneficiaries, Defense Health Agency spokesman Kevin Dwyer said. [READ MORE](#)

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The Air Force soon will begin studying whether it could benefit from someday allowing enlisted pilots. Air Education and Training Command said the study, called the pilot training next initiative, will explore how pilots can learn and train faster "by using existing and emerging technologies that can decrease the time and cost of training," but with the same depth of understanding to produce quality pilots. [READ MORE](#)

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A large majority of new service members are spending \$1,200 on a veterans education benefit they will never use. Military service branches automatically enroll their recruits in a decades-old GI Bill either during, or soon after, boot camp, even though modern-day service members can get a newer, more comprehensive version of the benefit — without spending a dime. Recruits can opt out if they choose, but, according to a recent analysis of federal data, 70 percent of them don't. [READ MORE](#)