Agenda

- PERS-41 Mission
- What’s new in the Fleet
- Career Progression and Milestones
- Career Management
PERS-41 Mission

- Career Management
- Match talent to task
- Provide capable officers for all milestones
- Respond to Fleet needs

Building Strong Careers is our Job
What’s going on in Surface Warfare

- Midshipman Early Ship Selection Initiative option for COs
- 15 of 17 USNA & 5 of 9 NROTC Midshipmen activated their “Blue Chip” offer in Spring 2019
- New Division Officer Sequencing Plan
  - 30 / 18
  - No MCM / LCS / CVN 1st Tour DIVOs
  - Maximize Fleet-up tours → No shortened tours
- No Staff Tours as milestones → Post DIVO / DH
- MK VI Early Command → O3 and O4 level
- Increased selectivity to serve as a DH
- First “Reward for Performance” bonus in DOD (DHRB)
  - DHRB payout schemes update
- DH Sequencing Plan Update
  - PTO Standardization
- Post DH detailing process update
- CDR CMD Board look timing update
Career Progression and Milestones
Career “Requirements”

• To be competitive for screening to Major Command an officer’s career needs:
  – Master’s degree
  – JPME Phase I
  – Community tour
  – JPME Phase II / Joint tour
  – DC tour
• Nuclear trained officers (SWO(N)) and Warfare Tactics Instructors (WTI) require a production tour in their specialized fields in addition to the above items
• These requirements can be combined, and quite often are
  – e.g. OPNAV N95/96 are both community and DC tours, many NPS curricula are both a Master’s degree and JPME Ph I, a SMWDC production tour is also a community tour, etc.
• The SWO career has five notional opportunities to complete these requirements
  – 1x post-DIVO
  – 2x post-DH
  – 2x post-CDR CMD

*** Sustained Superior Performance At Sea Remains the Primary Consideration at Screening Boards ***
SWO Career Path

Maximizing Our Time On Ships

☆ = Go/No Go assessment
When ANY officer completes their afloat tour, the Mariner Skills Logbook Data Summary is signed by the CO, must be sent to PERS-41.

- **Follow the template**
- **Break out night and day evolutions**
- **Capture evolutions which pre-date logbook implementation.**

Your data facilitates:
- Metrics for Community trends
- Experience thresholds for key billets (NAV, ASWO)
- Consideration of experience across all milestone tours (DIVO -> CO)
- Consideration for Bridge and evolution experience prior to slating

Your data DOES NOT:
- Inform any selection boards (unless you put it in your FITREP)
DIVO Slating Process

- 5 sea / shore slates per year
- 6 months from PRD for sea and shore – **OOD Letter** required
- Slate input includes:
  - Qualifications (OOD, SWO, EOOW)
  - FITREP performance (Latest FITREP / Individual TA vs. RSCA)
  - Preferences / CO input & assessment
- DIVO Tour lengths are 30 / 18 mos
  - SWO-N DIVO tours remain 21 months and 28 months (nuclear tour)
- COs can still fleet up to 2nd Tour jobs (SLT)…including WTI
- If you do not earn your EOOW letter on your 1st tour, slating to an engineering billet on your 2nd DIVO tour is likely
- Again, DESRON/PHIBRON are now post-DIVO tours
Expanded Shore Opportunities…
for our MOST Talented JOs

- **FSEP (Fleet Scholar Education Program)**
  - Pursue advanced education at America’s most prestigious institutions of THEIR choosing (in CONUS). Degree must have a Navy subspecialty associated with it; up to 24 months.

- **GET (Graduate Education and Teaching)**
  - Apply to a university in the National Capital Region, pursue a one year Master’s Degree in ANY concentration desired, and then teach that subject area at USNA for two years.

- **LEAD (Leadership Education and Development)**
  - Pursue a Master’s Degree from the University of Maryland or George Washington University, followed by a two year tour as a Company Officer at USNA.

- **TWI (Tours with Industry)**
  - The opportunity to work at Amazon, Google, LinkedIn, Apple, La Quinta, Walmart, UPS, Memphis Grizzlies, etc.

- **GEV (Graduate Education Voucher)**
  - The education voucher pays up to $20,000 per year for a maximum of two years for graduate school education, books and most fees. This pairs nicely with the 24/12 program!

- **PMRI (Purdue University Military Research Initiative)**
  - Pursue a Master's Degree or PhD (preferred). This program is 36 months and requires Aegis experience and Dahlgren training.

- **MIT-WHOI (Massachusetts Institute for Technology - Woods Hole Institute)**
  - Obtain a Master's Degree in an Oceanography based curricula. Practical / theater ASW experience preferred.

- **Professional Initiatives Abroad**
  - Portsmouth, England - Esquimalt, Canada - Marin, Spain - Canberra, Australia - La Spezia, Italy - Mons, Belgium - Lisbon, Portugal - Toulon, France! Expand your maritime portfolio via Instructor duty, BMD planner, Future Ops Maritime, and Maritime Lab Experimenter assignments.

- **NROTC (Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps)**
  - Two to three year programs to lead, mentor, and train future Naval Officers. Master’s Degree opportunities exist.

DHRB required… Attracting Top 10% of key YGs
Talent Management Board meets in August
Naval Postgraduate School (NPS)

- Operations Analysis
- Computer Science
- Cyber Systems & Operations
- Network Ops and Tech
- Systems Engineering Analysis
- Systems Engineering
- Undersea Warfare
- Combat Systems (Physics)
- Naval/Mechanical Engineering
- Electrical/Computer Engineering
- Space Systems Engineering
- Space Systems Operations

**National Security Affairs**
- Homeland Security
- Strategy
- Middle East
- Far East/Asia
- Western Hemisphere
- Europe/Russia

**MBA**
- Financial Management
- Manpower Systems Analysis

**THESE CURRICULA REQUIRE DHRB**

Most curricula filled via Talent Management Board
Some billets available throughout the year for competitive slaters
WTI: A Surface Warfare Community Priority

- Expanded WTI Opportunity
  - From 2nd Tour JO to post-DH O-4s… and LDOs
  - CO’s can home-grow DIVO WTIs…must be WTI-selects; engage PERS early

- Variety of Productions Tours
  - Expect to complete a post-DIVO production tour
  - Full range of commands and homeports are identified and billets properly coded that will capitalize on the tactical investment

- Graduate Education Options
  - GEV (to include 24/12), NWC (including Fleet Seminar), NPS Distance Learning, FSEP, and service War Colleges

- Selection Process – NSMWDC led
  - Seeking our most promising tactical athletes… w/ strong CO support
  - Executing a rolling application process and screening applicants into an approved “WTI Bank”… identifying, selecting and slating as early as possible

Targeting 127 Officers per year to complete WTI training
A community investment in our tactical prowess…and growth
FY 20 DH Selection Board

• 1\textsuperscript{st} Look (YG 16)
  – 60% selection (474/787)
• 2\textsuperscript{nd} Look (YG 15)
  – 51% selection (173/337)
• 3\textsuperscript{rd} Look (YG 14)
  – 52% selection (74/142)

• Superior performance at sea was primary selection factor.
• Ship/Platform/Command, ship employment and billet assignment not factored.
• Advanced qualifications favorably viewed.
• No SWO = No Selection
• Board did not have a “Zero Defect” mentality.

Continuing to be the most selective DH Board process in a generation
**Critical Skills Retention Bonuses**

**DHRB - $75-105K**
- Up to additional $30K for screening first look and signing DH contract
  - Officers can sign DHRB up to YCS 6 and receive full payout amount
  - Signing before YCS 6 affords officers executive slating and Talent Management opportunities during Post-DIVO tour

**LRB - $46K**
- $22K on 2nd anniversary of promotion to LCDR
- $12K on 3rd and 4th anniversary of promotion to LCDR
- Must apply between 11-12 YCS

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**Up to $151K to Serve DH + 4 Years as LCDR**
DH Billet Structure Changes

- Improved Ship Readiness Initiatives
  - Standardized PTO and shifting the billets to a 2\textsuperscript{nd} Tour DH
    - CG, DDG, LSD, LPD, LHA/D, LCS Test
  - LCS OIC billets integrated into core crew 2nd tour DIVO billets
  - CSO Fleet-Up open to all CRUDES
  - Shifted LSD CHENG billets back to the LDOs
  - SLT CHENG onboard FLT I/II DDGs
- COs may select \textit{any} DH to fleet-up to CSO or PTO, as applicable
  - Submit a written request to PERS-41; otherwise WEPS will fleet up to CSO
  - TYCOM standardized the PTO billet and BST
- Single longer tour CHENGs for Flight I/II DDGs
- All DESRON/PHIBRON DH billets are now post-DH tours

Driving Improved Readiness
Early Command

- **Forward Deployed**
  - 10 PCs, 4 MCMs in Bahrain
  - 4 MCMs in Sasebo
- **CONUS**
  - 3 PCs in Mayport
  - 3 MCMs (DECOM in MAR20), 2 MK VI Companies in San Diego
  - 4 MK VI Companies in Little Creek
- **MK VI Companies** each have 3 MK VI assigned
  - 18 LT Command Opportunities
- Opportunity to command at 5-10 YCS
- CO tours in lieu of 2DH or Post-DH tour
- High screen rate for CDR CMD
- Challenging and Rewarding

**Screening done with Department Head and Major Command Boards**
Post-DH Detailing

- Goal: Prepare Officers for **Milestone Screening (CO, XO/XO-SM)**
  - Competition is intense
  - DH performance alone may not be enough
  - Milestone screening drives statutory promotions

- Detailers review record focusing on DH performance and beyond
  - EOOW & TAO Letters, CMD Qual, JPME, Masters Degree
  - FITREP Breakouts (Hard and Soft against peer group)
  - FITREP Trait Avg vs RSCA & Summary Avg
  - Command Afloat Recommendations

- Detailers provide guidance on where officers need to go next to improve screening opportunity
  - Post-DH Sea/Operational Duty (30% of billet base and highest priority to fill)
  - Waterfront/Production Tours
  - DC or other high vis community tour

- Detailers timing priority is to maintain two 24-month tours between DH and CDR CMD pipeline

**Post-DH assignments are your last opportunity to maximize your chances of screening**
Post-DH Assignments

• Reconciliation is the monthly competitive process we use to assign officers to post-DH billets
  – Different than slating
    • Billet quantity outstrips roller supply
    • Downstream fill (DSF) list is the comprehensive list of billets matching roller PRDs
    • Not all billets will be filled each month
  – Shortfalls drive prioritized distribution
    • Current SWO community health: short 400+ O4 and O5 control grade officers
    • Operational assignments are the highest priority to fill
  – Detailer counsel will focus on career progression

• Notional timeline (7 months prior to PRD)
  – 1st week of month: DSF list posted, rollers notified
  – 3rd week of month: Preferences due/Detailer counseling
  – 4th week of month: Reconciliation held, assignments approved by PERS-41, rollers notified

Final assignments determined based upon career impact, fill priority, timing, and personal preferences
Surface CDR CMD Board convenes annually in December

1. 1st look LCDR PYG + 2
   - LCDR PYG 17 1st Look in Dec 2019 (CO-Afloat only)
2. 2nd look PYG + 3
   - LCDR PYG 16 2nd Look in Dec 2019 (CO-Afloat, XO-Afloat, or XO-SM)
3. 3rd look PYG + 5
   - LCDR PYG 14 3rd Look in Dec 2019 (CO-Afloat or CO-SM)
   - Only XO-Afloat or XO-SM screen officers w/ CMD qual eligible
• **Beginning in Dec 2020, CDR CMD Board timing will be anchored to YCS 12**
  - Officers will be considered on the CDR CMD board following their YCS 12 anniversary
  - For most officers, this will be at YCS 12.5
    • 1st look YCS 12.5, 2nd look YCS 13.5, 3rd look YCS 15.5

• **Dec 2020 CDR CMD Board Composition**
  - 1st look: Mix
    • Officers commissioned between 01OCT07 – 06DEC08
    • Remainder of YG07 and senior officers who promoted to LCDR in FY18
  - 2nd look: LCDR PYG +3
    • LCDR PYG 17 officers who remain eligible for XO/CO, XO afloat, or XO/SM milestones
  - 3rd look PYG +5
    • LCDR PYG 15 3rd Look in Dec 2020 (CO-Afloat or CO-SM)
    • Only XO-Afloat or XO-SM screen officers w/ CMD qual eligible
CDR CMD/XO Slating

- Slating/Tour Length
  - CO: Slate in seniority order (quarterly by FY)
    - Goal: out of command before O6 and MAJCMD boards
    - 18-1-18 is notional fleet up tour timing
    - Slate ~18m before reporting as XO/CO fleet up, ~12m prior for direct input CO
  - XO/XO-SM: Most officers can expect to start pipeline within 9 months of screening
    - Maximize chances of screening on 3rd look via observed XO FITREPs
    - 18m is notional tour length (some 12m unaccompanied)

Milestone screening drives selection to O-5
Post-CDR Command Detailing

• One on one executive detailing based on experience & record
  – 6 to 8 months prior to PRD
  – More PCC Billets than PCCs
  – Will match talent to task; preferences matter
  – Man the Fleet - Will fill sea billets ahead of shore billets

• Three career goals in mind (in priority order)
  – Select for CAPT
  – Screen for Major Command
  – Building your portfolio/future potential

• Break-outs in command determine follow-on tour
  – Hard break-out (EP) – Build skillset, Joint, WC... or Sea Duty/Operational Tour
  – MP or soft break-out – Sea, overseas, community job

• Timing also important
  – Major Command 1st Look/O-6 In-zone is O5 PYG + 5 yrs
  – 2 tours between CDR CMD and MAJ CMD (~4 yr window)
Career Management
Key FITREP Points

BLK 40: Milestone Rec

Clearly state Officer’s potential for next career milestone screening

Examples:
- DEPT HEAD: Pre-DH until reporting onboard for 1DH
- CDR CMD AFLOAT: 1DH until reporting onboard as CO
- MAJ CMD AFLOAT: CO thru reporting onboard for Maj Cmd

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Key FITREP Points

BLK 41: Comments on Performance

Clear, concise statements above and below narrative

Examples:

- 1 of 5 DEPT HEADs
- 1 of 10 SQDN DHs
- 1 of 5 DHs across all designators

2 lines of bearing:
BLK 40 - CDR CMD Afloat
Correlates to
BLK 41 - SBO language and CAS recommendation

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Narrative should speak to what we value for Command at Sea

Specifically, proficiency in:
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- Tactical watch standing
- Shiphandling

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Key FITREP Points

BLK 42/43/45: Trait Average

Clear, concise, and consistent message

3 lines of bearing:
BLK 40 - CDR CMD Afloat
Correlates to
BLK 41 - SBO language and CAS recommendation
BLK 42-45 – HBO with numbers to match

CONSISTENT EXAMPLES OF PROFESSIONALISM, INNOVATION, AND EXECUTION:

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Statutory Board Considerations

• Ensure promotion recommendation included in blk 41

• Screening status is not part of record – need to tell the board what the Community has decided

• Lead FITREP bullets should read:
  – MAJOR COMMAND: **Screened Major Command**
  – CO-Afloat screened officers: **Screened Commander Command Afloat**
  – CO-SM screened officers: **Screened Commander Command**
  – XO-Afloat screened officers: **Screened for Executive Officer Afloat**
  – XO-SM screened officers: **Screened for Executive Officer**
  – DH screened officers: **Screened for Department Head**
  – DH screened officers w/contract: **Screened for Department Head/DH Contract Signed**

Document success at-sea to support promotion
How Your Record is Briefed

Officer Summary Record (OSR)

Performance Summary Report (PSR)

Wicked Smaaht!

- Tale of 2 CO’s
  1) HBO in 1st tour, then...
  2) ?? 2nd CO

- SWO Heavy-lift jobs post-DH

“Think of Halsey, Nimitz, and Spruance embodied in one SWO LT… Flag potential” -CO

“…potential is limitless” –CO

FULLY QUAL’D

Official photos are required

“Only limited by FR system to a P. My BEST DH, even as a JG” - CO
Bottom Line

- Recent career path changes are facilitating more at-sea/operational time—which will lead to more experienced SWO cadre manning the fleet.

- Performance in milestone tours remains the primary consideration in next milestone screening.

- Selection to and subsequent superior performance at key post-milestone assignments is increasingly significant to follow on milestone screening.

Contact your detailer!