

**Justifications for Changes to DS-6561
Requested by the Office of Medical Services (MED)**

The Office of Medical Services would like to make an edit to DS-6561 for the sake of increasing clarity for respondents. The edit is as follows:

Page 1, Status of Employee – Change the wording for Personal Services Contractor to only ‘Contractor’. Leave DOD Civilian/Contractor as is. Delete ‘3161’ and move the word ‘Other’ up there and where other is currently listed put ‘Specific Name of contracting agency’.

This change is meant to help improve the client’s understanding of the information that MED is requesting on the form. It will also enable MED to better identify contractors so MED/Medical Records can more immediately screen them and send out the verification form to distinguish those that should be in eMed from those that do not belong there before entering them. This would be a real timesaver in the clearance process.