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# **Carrying our Insecurities with Us: the Risks of Implanted Medical Devices in Secure Spaces**

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## The Risks of Implanted Medical Devices in Secure Spaces





Secure Compartmented Information Facility (SCIF)

Implanted Medical Devices (IMDs)





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## **Portable Electronic Devices**













## **Portable Electronic Device Risk**

PED Risk Levels\*

#### Low-risk PEDs:

- Are without recording or transmission capabilities
- Allowed in without mitigation. Calculators, RX-only pagers, RX-only radio

#### Medium-risk PEDs:

- Have built-in features that enable recording or transmitting text, images/video, or audio
- Features can be physically disabled; allowed in with appropriate mitigations. Dumb phones, airplane mode devices, mics that can be disabled

#### **High-risk PEDs:**

- Have recording and/or transmitting capabilities that cannot be sufficiently mitigated
- May use if mitigation measures reduce the risk to low. Electronics with RF transmitters (WiFi, Bluetooth, etc), cameras / audio, smart phones

#### Crude guidelines

- Does it have batteries?
- Does it have memory?
- Does it have sensors?
- Can it talk to other devices?
- What benefit does it serve?









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#### Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act: Working for a Federal Contractor

#### What is the Rehabilitation

Act of 1973? The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehabilitation Act) prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability n programs conducted by federal agencies, in programs receiving federal financial assistance, in federal employment, and in the employment practices of federal contractors

#### What is Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act?

Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act requires that federal comparison and subcombartions --- companying form to help measure how well federal contractor are doing. Completing this form is voluntary. doing business with the federal government affirmative action to recruit, hire, employ, promote, and retain qualified people with disabilities. Some highlights of Section 503 include:

- Federal contractors must strive to ensure that at least 7% of their job groups or workforce, depending on the size of the employer, are employees with disabilities.

- Federal contractors must invite job applicants and a disability? new and oursent employees to voluntarily self-identify as having a disability. No. Settidentification is considerely voluntar Federal contractors and subcontractors must have disability if you are requesting job accommodations

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Affirmative action is an action or policy favoring those who tend to suffer from discrimination, especially in relation to employment or education.

What does self-identification mean?

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form to applicants and employees. The form asks if you have or have ever had a disability. You will have

the opportunity to self-identify before or after a job

Why am I being asked to complete

Applicants and employees are asked to complete the

Whether you are applying for a job or already work

private and will not be used against you in any way

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to learn more about self-identification.

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What is affirmative action?

## **Reasonable Accommodations**

#### ICPM-2005-700-1\*



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY POLICY MEMORANDUM NUMBER 2005-700-1

Subject: Intelligence Community Update to Director of Central Intelligence (DCID) 6/9, Physical Security Standards for Sensitive Compartmented Information Facilities (SCIFs)

Authority: The National Security Act of 1947, as amended; the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004; Executive Order 12333, as amended; Executive Order 13354; Executive Order 13355; and other applicable provisions of law.

1. Effective immediately, DCID 6/9, Annex D, Part I, pertaining to electronic equipment in SCIFs is superseded by attachments 1 and 2 and is retitled "Portable Electronic Devices in Sensitive Compartmented Information Facilities." This update reflects advancements in this technology and provides standards for a program to permit these devices entry into a SCIF.

2. The Office of the Director of National Intelligence staff will administratively update the affected DCID and incorporate these provisions in a future Intelligence Community directive.

Deputy Director of National Intelligence

for Management

1 December 2005 Date

Attachment - Annex D, Part I, Portable Electronic Devices in Sensitive Compartmented Tab 1 Information Facilities

Tab 2 - Table for Portable Electronic Device (PED) Mitigation

#### ICPG-110.1 (2009)

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COMMUNITY

POLICY

GUIDANCE

110.1

A. AUTHORITY: The National Security Act of 1947, as amended; Executive Order (EO) 12333, as amended; EO 13548; EO 13164; Intelligence Community Directive (ICD) 110, Intelligence Community Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity; and other applicable provisions of law.

B. PURPOSE: This Intelligence Community Policy Guidance (ICPG) provides guidance to the Intelligence Community (IC) for the employment of individuals with disabilities

C. APPLICABILITY: This Guidance applies to the IC, as defined by the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, and to such elements of any other department or agency as may be designated an element of the IC by the President, or jointly by the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) and the head of the department or agency concerned.

#### D. POLICY

1. IC elements shall be model employers for individuals with disabilities

2. IC elements shall adhere to the applicable provisions of federal equal employment opportunity (EEO) laws and regulations, provide equal opportunity in employment for all persons, and prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability. Equal opportunity in employment includes hiring, placement, and advancement opportunities.

3. IC elements shall provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with a disability who request accommodations, in accordance with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (hereinafter, "Rehabilitation Act"), and its implementing regulations, when it does not place an undue hardship on the employer.

a. A disability is a physical or mental impairment that abstantially limits one or more of the major life activities of an individual. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Amendments Act of 2008 construes the statutory term "disability" broadly in favor of expansive coverage to the maximum extent permitted by the terms of the ADA and the Rehabilitation Act. An individual with a disability has, or is regarded as having, a disability or a record (past history) of such an impairment.

b. Oualified, with respect to an individual with a disability means that the individual satisfies the requisite skill, experience, education, and other job-related requirements of the employment position the individual holds or desires and, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the position.

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#### **Employment of Individuals with Disabilities**

#### EO 13163 (7/2000) EO 13518 (11/2009) EO 13548 (7/2010)





















































# **PED Risk after current Mitigations**

## ICD-705 Guidance on Medical Devices (Chapter 10)

- v1.2, 4/2012: N/A
- v1.3, 9/2015: Footnote: Medical devices are exceptions to these requirements.
- v1.4, 9/2017: (Paragraph 3) Approval for medical devices will comply with all applicable laws and oversight policies, including the Rehabilitation Act, and the latest IC medical device approval process. As a minimum, the medical device must be reviewed to determine any technical security issues introduced by the device. Based on the security/technical review, medical devices may be approved by the Accrediting Official for introduction and use within a SCIF.
- Now, 2020:



\* Technical Specifications for Construction and Management of Sensitive Compartmented Information Facilities, ICD-705, v1.2/v1.3/v1.4



















#### (1) Random Physical Inspections















## (3) RF Shielding Apparel















#### (5) Password Activated Software

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# (6) Temporarily Muting Transducers

Med Risk to User













## (8) General Signal Jamming/AP Spoofing























(1) Random Physical Inspections (2) Ferromagnetic Detection Systems (3) RF Shielding Apparel (4) Zeroization (5) Password Activated Software (6) Temporarily Muting Transducers (7) Personal Jamming (8) General Signal Jamming/AP Spoofing (9) Tracking/RF Fingerprint technologies (10) Denying Entry



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- (1) Random Physical Inspections are similar to ICD-705 policy on government provided devices. Poses a low risk to the user; however, without sufficient knowledge on the specific device, difficult to catch the unauthorized extraction of data.
- (2) Ferromagnetic Detection Systems may help identify smart devices before they enter any secure area, leading to facility manager decision whether or not to admit the individual. These systems do not prevent data extraction, only the detection of the physical device.
- (3) RF Shielding Apparel could be a foil vest that blocks communication with the IMD. This proposed vest would be worn by the host upon entering the facility. Signal leakage is still a concern.
- (4) Zeroization is a safe method, but requires knowledge of the device and settings. All sensor data collected inside the SCIF must be removed to ensure protections. Because of this, a greater risk is imposed upon the user, because stored settings or essential functions may be disrupted.
- (5) Password Activated Software is an administrator controlled software that takes over control of the device and limits suspect functions until a password is entered. This one-time use password would be provided to the employee after they have left the secure area.
- (6) Temporarily Muting Transducers ensures valuable data cannot be recorded and stored. Users with cochlear implants would lose functionality as well as other similar styles of implants, many of whose residual capabilities impair human health.

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- (7) Personal Jamming actively impairs the communication or sensor functions, much like an audio white noise generator.
- (8) General Signal Jamming/AP Spoofing hijacks Bluetooth, WiFi, and other commercial signals, preventing communication to third parties. This proves beneficial as no privacy laws are violated, yet could result in battery draws or other unintended effects to the medical device.
- (9) Tracking/RF Fingerprint technologies mark an individual and monitor location and possibly record any signals. Such a technique likely violates privacy/HIPAA laws.
- (10) Denying Entry completely eliminates the risk of data extraction, however the user would not be permitted to conduct any work within the area. While denial provides security, it fails to meet the practical needs of our ageing workforce.

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## **Discarded Mitigations**

- 1. Require medical device manufacturers to develop SCIF friendly devices
  - Only 2% of the population no business case
  - International manufacturing infeasible
- 2. FDA require medical device security standards
  - Likely to occur independent of present discussion
  - Medical device design is already HARD

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## **Bottom Line**

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Policy guidance looking towards <u>future</u> medical technology

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Meeting contradictions of security policy, HR policy, health benefits of IMDs, and truly protecting classified information

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![](_page_41_Picture_8.jpeg)

#### Weighing risks/impacts to users and risks to classified information

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