

PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (PIA)

PRESCRIBING AUTHORITY: DoD Instruction 5400.16, "DoD Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) Guidance". Complete this form for Department of Defense (DoD) information systems or electronic collections of information (referred to as an "electronic collection" for the purpose of this form) that collect, maintain, use, and/or disseminate personally identifiable information (PII) about members of the public, Federal employees, contractors, or foreign nationals employed at U.S. military facilities internationally. In the case where no PII is collected, the PIA will serve as a conclusive determination that privacy requirements do not apply to system.

1. DOD INFORMATION SYSTEM/ELECTRONIC COLLECTION NAME:

The Joint Pathology Center Digital Pathology (JPCDP)

2. DOD COMPONENT NAME:

Defense Health Agency

3. PIA APPROVAL DATE:

02/16/2026

SECTION 1: PII DESCRIPTION SUMMARY (FOR PUBLIC RELEASE)

a. The PII is: (Check one. Note: Federal contractors, military family members, and foreign nationals are included in general public.)

- From members of the general public From Federal employees
 from both members of the general public and Federal employees Not Collected (if checked proceed to Section 4)

b. The PII is in a: (Check one.)

- New DoD Information System New Electronic Collection
 Existing DoD Information System Existing Electronic Collection
 Significantly Modified DoD Information System

c. Describe the purpose of this DoD information system or electronic collection and describe the types of personal information about individuals collected in the system.

In 2008 the National Defense Authorization Act chartered JPC, the main pathology reference center for the Federal government, to modernize and digitize its repository. This effort is comprised of a storage and compute workflow. JPCDP serves as the compute portion of the digital workflow that will be used for research to assist pathologists in reaching a faster prognosis and diagnosis for consultative requests. The JPCDP runs in a Rancher containerized environment and is hosted on premise. JPCDP consists of four distinct applications: Concentriq LS, Concentriq AP, Lagotto, and VisioPharm. Concentriq LS manages de-identified images for research use only, while Concentriq AP handles images containing PII/PHI to identify patients through meta-data and slide label images. Lagotto employs AI to analyze and index images, enabling comparison of visually similar tissue samples. VisioPharm is installed on Pathologist's workstations and is used to create annotations and run AI algorithms against de-identified tissue images. The storage for this environment resides within the MedCOI_JPC enclave (EID 4180). Concentriq AP is interconnected with the Joint Pathology Information Management System (JPIMS, EID 1895), allowing controlled information sharing that includes PII/PHI. All PII/PHI shared from JPIMS is contained and protected within Concentriq AP. Note: Concentriq AP and Concentriq LS operate in completely separate compute environments and do not connect to each other.

d. Why is the PII collected and/or what is the intended use of the PII? (e.g., verification, identification, authentication, data matching, mission-related use, administrative use)

PII is collected for the verification, identification, and processing of patients, their case relevant surgical information, and their lab orders. The intended use of the PII is for administrative and mission related use to verify the identity of a case, match the data from one patient number to all relevant surgical information to assist in case accessioning.

e. Do individuals have the opportunity to object to the collection of their PII? Yes No

(1) If "Yes," describe the method by which individuals can object to the collection of PII.

(2) If "No," state the reason why individuals cannot object to the collection of PII.

Individuals do not have the opportunity to object to the collection of their PII as JPCDP is not the initial point of collection for PII.

f. Do individuals have the opportunity to consent to the specific uses of their PII? Yes No

(1) If "Yes," describe the method by which individuals can give or withhold their consent.

(2) If "No," state the reason why individuals cannot give or withhold their consent.

Individuals do not have the opportunity to consent to the specific uses of their PII as the system is not the initial point of collection for PII.

g. When an individual is asked to provide PII, a Privacy Act Statement (PAS) and/or a Privacy Advisory must be provided. (Check as appropriate and provide the actual wording.)

- Privacy Act Statement Privacy Advisory Not Applicable

JPCDP does not collect PII directly from individuals. Therefore, no Privacy Act Statement or Privacy Advisory is required.

h. With whom will the PII be shared through data/system exchange, both within your DoD Component and outside your Component? (Check all that apply)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Within the DoD Component | Specify. | Defense Health Agency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other DoD Components (i.e. Army, Navy, Air Force) | Specify. | Civilian and military general users, authorized users, and system administrators at JPC only |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Federal Agencies (i.e. Veteran's Affairs, Energy, State) | Specify. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State and Local Agencies | Specify. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contractor (Name of contractor and describe the language in the contract that safeguards PII. Include whether FAR privacy clauses, i.e., 52.224-1, Privacy Act Notification, 52.224-2, Privacy Act, and FAR 39.105 are included in the contract.) | Specify. | DoD General User Contractors, DoD System Admin Contractors. Verizon/Ampcus; Vastec; PM Consulting; IBEX, Rividium, Analytica, RWD, Cherokee Nation are the contracting companies with whom the JPC contracts employees through. Each contract contains the following language that safeguards PII : "Annual Training: The Government will provide necessary annual training to the Contractor employees and they shall be required to complete an annual training update at the MTF. Annual training updates may be accomplished via video or classroom instruction, computer-based instruction, or review of written materials. HIPAA Privacy and Security Training (HIPAA). Contractor employees shall be required to complete the On-Line Web-based Training Modules within the first 30 days of employment." FAR privacy clauses are not included in any of the above mentioned contracts for the Joint Pathology Center. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (e.g., commercial providers, colleges). | Specify. | |

i. Source of the PII collected is: (Check all that apply and list all information systems if applicable)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Databases |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing DoD Information Systems | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Systems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Federal Information Systems | |

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j. How will the information be collected? (Check all that apply and list all Official Form Numbers if applicable)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> E-mail | <input type="checkbox"/> Official Form (Enter Form Number(s) in the box below) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In-Person Contact | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fax | <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone Interview |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Sharing - System to System | <input type="checkbox"/> Website/E-Form |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (If Other, enter the information in the box below) | |

k. Does this DoD Information system or electronic collection require a Privacy Act System of Records Notice (SORN)?

A Privacy Act SORN is required if the information system or electronic collection contains information about U.S. citizens or lawful permanent U.S. residents that is retrieved by name or other unique identifier. PIA and Privacy Act SORN information must be consistent.

- Yes No

If "Yes," enter SORN System Identifier

SORN Identifier, not the Federal Register (FR) Citation. Consult the DoD Component Privacy Office for additional information or <http://dpclid.defense.gov/Privacy/SORNs/>

or

If a SORN has not yet been published in the Federal Register, enter date of submission for approval to Defense Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency Division (DPCLTD). Consult the DoD Component Privacy Office for this date.

If "No," explain why the SORN is not required in accordance with DoD Regulation 5400.11-R: Department of Defense Privacy Program.

Because the Joint Pathology Center Digital Pathology (JPCDP) will not collect any personally identifiable information (PII) directly from individuals to be stored in a system of records and retrieved by a personal identifier, no SORN is necessary.

I. What is the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) approved, pending or general records schedule (GRS) disposition authority for the system or for the records maintained in the system?

(1) NARA Job Number or General Records Schedule Authority.

(2) If pending, provide the date the SF-115 was submitted to NARA.

(3) Retention Instructions.

Unscheduled - Permanent. Treat system and/or records maintained in the system as permanent until a NARA approved schedule and disposition authority has been applied.

m. What is the authority to collect information? A Federal law or Executive Order must authorize the collection and maintenance of a system of records. For PII not collected or maintained in a system of records, the collection or maintenance of the PII must be necessary to discharge the requirements of a statute or Executive Order.

(1) If this system has a Privacy Act SORN, the authorities in this PIA and the existing Privacy Act SORN should be similar.

(2) If a SORN does not apply, cite the authority for this DoD information system or electronic collection to collect, use, maintain and/or disseminate PII. (If multiple authorities are cited, provide all that apply).

(a) Cite the specific provisions of the statute and/or EO that authorizes the operation of the system and the collection of PII.

(b) If direct statutory authority or an Executive Order does not exist, indirect statutory authority may be cited if the authority requires the operation or administration of a program, the execution of which will require the collection and maintenance of a system of records.

(c) If direct or indirect authority does not exist, DoD Components can use their general statutory grants of authority ("internal housekeeping") as the primary authority. The requirement, directive, or instruction implementing the statute within the DoD Component must be identified.

5 U.S.C. 301, Department Regulation; 10 U.S.C., Chapter 55; Pub.L. 104-91, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996; DoDM 6025.18, Implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Rule in DoD Health Care Programs; 10 U.S.C. 1071-1085, Medical and Dental Care; 42 U.S.C. Chapter 117, Sections 11131-11152, Reporting of Information; 10 U.S.C. 1097a and 1097b, TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Program; 10 U.S.C. 1079, Contracts for Medical Care for Spouses and Children; 10 U.S.C. 1079a, Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); 10 U.S.C. 1086, Contracts for Health Benefits for Certain Members, Former Members, and Their Dependents; DoD Instruction 6015.23, Delivery of Healthcare at Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs); DoD 6010.8-R, CHAMPUS; 10 U.S.C. 1095, Collection from Third Party Payers Act; and E.O. 9397 (SSN).

n. Does this DoD information system or electronic collection have an active and approved Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number?

Contact the Component Information Management Control Officer or DoD Clearance Officer for this information. This number indicates OMB approval to collect data from 10 or more members of the public in a 12-month period regardless of form or format.

Yes No Pending

(1) If "Yes," list all applicable OMB Control Numbers, collection titles, and expiration dates.

(2) If "No," explain why OMB approval is not required in accordance with DoD Manual 8910.01, Volume 2, "DoD Information Collections Manual: Procedures for DoD Public Information Collections."

(3) If "Pending," provide the date for the 60 and/or 30 day notice and the Federal Register citation.

Per DoD Manual 8910.01 Vol2, "DoD Information Collections Manual: Procedures for DoD Public Information Collections", OMB approval is not required as Joint Pathology Center Digital Pathology is not the initial point of PII collection.