

Were you aware that Social Workers may be approved to receive Special Pay?

Under direction of the Commissioned Corps Personnel Manual, CC22.2 pg. 19 (non-physician special pay), those clinical social workers with an unrestricted license and board certification may receive special pay. Both the American Board of Examiners in Clinical Social Work and the National Association of Social Workers recognize the advanced clinical social worker, observant of the highest professional standards, with Board Certification. Non-physician board certified rates, \$2000.00 to \$5000.00 annually, are based on years of creditable service.

The American Board of Examiners in Clinical Social Work website may be found at <http://www.abecsw.org/> .

The National Association of Social Workers website may be found at <http://www.socialworkers.org/credentials/credentials/dcsw.asp> .

Once you obtain the credential, you may forward it to:

Office of Commissioned Corps Support Services - Compensation Branch
(OCCSS/CB), ESS/PSC
Room 4-50, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857-0001
Phone: 301-594-2963
Fax: 301-443-0064

Commissioned Corps clinical social workers represent the best, brightest and most competent leaders in our profession. Board certification makes a strong statement regarding the clinician's commitment to advanced practice. The SWPAG encourages social work officers with an unrestricted clinical license to explore this recognition and opportunity.