

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG), Department of Defense (DoD), announced today that on December 19, 2000, Danny M. Corpuz, Tarlac, Republic of the Philippines, was sentenced in U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, to 6 months incarceration, followed by 3 years supervised release, ordered to pay \$26,175 in restitution and a \$50 special assessment fee. On October 27, 2000, Corpuz plead guilty to one count of mail fraud. On October 20, 1999, Corpuz was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury on one count of mail fraud and three counts of false claims.

The investigation determined that Corpuz, a retired U.S. Navy veteran, conspired with a doctor located in the Republic of the Philippines to defraud TRICARE. Corpuz assisted a physician in submitting six false claims to TRICARE himself and his dependents. Wisconsin Physicians Service (WPS), Madison, WI received the fraudulent claims. WPS is a fiscal intermediary for the TRICARE program. The total payments to the doctor and Corpuz, for the fraudulent claims filed, was \$26,175.