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DDC Employees Enter a New Era of Government Travel

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In March, DDC employees began using a new, fast, paperless, web-based system to create travel authorizations and vouchers.

The Defense Travel System (DTS) is being deployed to all Department of Defense (DoD) activities in order to streamline the travel approval and reimbursement processes.

Defense Distribution Center (DDC) personnel will be able to use DTS to create a travel authorization and to make reservations for airlines, lodging and rental cars. Upon return from government travel, employees will be able to use the same system to create travel vouchers for reimbursement.

Of all the benefits of DTS, rapid reimbursement seems to be the most highly anticipated. "By using DTS, our employees will be reimbursed electronically within 72 hours of approving a travel voucher," said Marian Ryan, DDC's Director of Financial Operations.

Additional benefits of using DTS include reduced paperwork, automated payment of government credit cards, and on-site authorization of travel vouchers.

Hands-on training has been provided to the DDC workforce. "Through our DTS training sessions, employees have been

able to see that the new system is easy and user-friendly. It guides you along in the process of creating authorizations, travel arrangements and vouchers," said Ryan.

Current plans call for DTS to be deployed to 90 percent of DoD installations by the middle of the decade.

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