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1601.102 Authority.

(a) The FEHBAR is issued by the Director of the Office of Personnel Management in accordance with the authority of 5 U.S.C. chapter 89 and other applicable law and regulation.

(b) The FEHBAR does not replace or incorporate regulations found at 5 CFR part 890, which provides the substantive policy guidance for administration of the FEHBP under 5 U.S.C. Chapter 89. The following is the order of precedence in interpreting a contract provision under the FEHBP:

- (1) 5 U.S.C. Chapter 89;
- (2) 5 CFR part 890;
- (3) 48 CFR Chapters 1 and 16;
- (4) The FEHBP contract.

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