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SUBJ/CHANGE IN POLICY FOR PRE-DEPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION OF ANTHRAX AND SMALLPOX VACCINES//

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NARR/REF (A) IS THE UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE (PERSONNEL AND READINESS) MEMO ON CHANGE IN POLICY FOR PRE-DEPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION OF ANTHRAX AND SMALLPOX VACCINES. REF (B) IS THE UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE (PERSONNEL AND READINESS) MEMO ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ANTHRAX VACCINE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM. REF (C) IS THE UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE (PERSONNEL AND READINESS) MEMO ON POLICY REVISION TO INCREASE PRE-DEPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION OF ANTHRAX AND SMALLPOX VACCINES TO 60 DAYS. POC/MARCUS LARKIN/CDR/N931/-/COMM/202-762-3437/E-MAIL/MARCUS.LARKIN@NAVY.MIL//

- 1. PER REFERENCE (A), TO ASSIST UNITS IN THE PREPARATION FOR DEPLOYMENT, VACCINATIONS AGAINST ANTHRAX AND SMALLPOX CAN BEGIN UP TO 120 DAYS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED DEPARTURE DATE. THIS POLICY IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
- 2. PRIOR TO VACCINATIONS, COMMANDERS MUST VERIFY THAT THOSE STARTING VACCINATIONS ARE ON ORDERS OR HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED TO DEPLOY WITHIN 120 DAYS TO OVERSEAS LOCATIONS DESIGNATED FOR THE ANTHRAX AND SMALLPOX PROGRAM.
- 3. THIS POLICY REVISES THE PREVIOUS 60-DAY POLICY SET FORTH IN REFERENCES (B) AND (C).
- 4. THIS POLICY REVISION DOES NOT EXPAND THE POPULATION ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINATION AND APPLIES ONLY TO OVERSEAS MOVEMENT AREAS CURRENTLY DESIGNATED FOR THE ANTHRAX AND SMALLPOX VACCINATION PROGRAM.

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