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SUBJ: EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION (EUA) TO RESUME ANTHRAX
VACCINATIONS

A. 27 OCT 04 SECDEF MEMO, SUBJ: TEMPORARILY STOP GIVING
ANTHRAX

IMMUNIZATIONS TO ALL DOD PERSONNEL (NOTAL)

B. COMDT COGARD WASHINGTON DC 181353Z NOV 04 /ALCOAST 514/04
SUBJ:

ANTHRAX VACCINE IMMUNIZATION PAUSE

C. 27 JAN 05 FDA DOCKET NO. 2005N-0040, AUTHORIZATION OF
EMERGENCY

USE OF ANTHRAX VACCINE ADSORBED FOR PREVENTION OF INHALATION
ANTHRAX BY INDIVIDUALS AT HEIGHTENED RISK OF EXPOSURE DUE TO
ATTACK

WITH ANTHRAX AVAILABILITY

D. 29 APR 05 SECDEF MEMO, SUBJ: IMPLEMENTATION OF RESUMPTION
OF THE

ANTHRAX VACCINATION IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM UNDER EMERGENCY USE
AUTHORIZATION (EUA)

1. ON 27 OCT 2004, THE US DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF
COLUMBIA PLACED AN INJUNCTION ON MANDATORY ANTHRAX
VACCINATIONS

(REFS A AND B). ON 10 DEC 04, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF
DEFENSE

DETERMINED THERE WAS SIGNIFICANT POTENTIAL FOR AN EMERGENCY
INVOLVING AN ATTACK WITH ANTHRAX TO UNITED STATES MILITARY
FORCES.

ON 27 JAN 05, THE FDA ISSUED AN EUA FOR PREVENTION OF
INHALATION

ANTHRAX (REF C). ON 6 APR 05, THE US DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MODIFIED ITS INJUNCTION AGAINST ANTHRAX
VACCINATIONS AND, AS A RESULT, THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
DIRECTED

THE MILITARY SERVICES TO RESTART THE ANTHRAX VACCINE PROGRAM
IN

ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES OF THE EUA (REF D) FOR A
PERIOD

EXPIRING NLT 27 JUL 05, UNLESS EXPLICITLY EXTENDED.

2. AT THIS TIME, ONLY COAST GUARD PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO
SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED COMMANDS MAY RECEIVE THE ANTHRAX
VACCINATION UNDER THE EUA GUIDELINES.

A. DESIGNATED COMMANDS INCLUDE: COAST GUARD PERSONNEL
SERVING IN

US CENTRAL COMMAND (USCENTCOM) AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY OR US
FORCES

IN KOREA FOR 15 OR MORE CONSECUTIVE DAYS, THE STRIKE TEAMS
(PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED AS SPECIAL MISSION UNITS), AND OTHER
UNITS

EXPLICITLY DESIGNATED BY CG-1121.

B. VACCINATIONS FOR PERSONNEL WITH ORDERS TO THESE LOCATIONS OR

UNITS MAY BEGIN UP TO 60 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE.

3. IAW REFS C AND D, THE COAST GUARD MAY RESUME ANTHRAX VACCINATIONS FOR PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO DESIGNATED COMMANDS BUT ONLY

UNDER THE CONDITION THAT PERSONNEL SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE THE ANTHRAX

VACCINATION MAY ACCEPT OR REFUSE THE VACCINATION. PERSONNEL REFUSING THE VACCINATION WILL NOT BE PUNISHED. NO DISCIPLINARY

ACTION OR ADVERSE PERSONNEL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN. PERSONNEL WILL

NOT BE PROCESSED FOR SEPARATION AND THERE WILL BE NO PENALTY OR

LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT FOR REFUSING THE ANTHRAX VACCINATION. PERSONNEL

WHO REFUSE THE ANTHRAX VACCINATION REMAIN DEPLOYABLE.

4. TO ENSURE THE EUA REQUIREMENTS ARE FULFILLED, DISTRIBUTION OF

THE ANTHRAX VACCINE WILL BE LIMITED TO SITES WHERE COMMAND-DESIGNATED OFFICERS AFFIRM THEY HAVE READ THE EUA REQUIREMENTS AND

WILL ENSURE THEY ARE FOLLOWED. IN ORDER TO VACCINATE THOSE ELIGIBLE

PERSONNEL IN 2.A., IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE CLINICS AT TRACEN

CAPE MAY, TRACEN PETALUMA, ATC MOBILE AND ISC PORTSMOUTH WILL BE

DESIGNATED AS VACCINATION SITES.

5. EXCEPT AS NOTED IN 2.A. ABOVE, OR UNLESS NOTIFIED BY CG-1121,

ANTHRAX VACCINATIONS ARE STILL UNAUTHORIZED FOR COAST GUARD PERSONNEL. ONLY THOSE UNITS NOTIFIED BY CG-1121 WILL PARTICIPATE IN

THE EUA PROGRAM.

6. FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS PROGRAM, VISIT THE CG-112 WEB SITE

AT [HTTP://WWW.USCG.MIL/HQ/G-W/G-WK/WKH/AVIP/INDEX.HTM](http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-w/g-wk/wkh/avip/index.htm) OR CONTACT

THE CG-1121 POCS, CDR MONICA KUENY AT 202-267-2622 OR CAPT MARK

TEDESCO AT 202-267-0528.

7. INTERNET RELEASED AUTHORIZED.

8. RADM PAUL J. HIGGINS, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH AND SAFETY, SENDS.

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