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## **Contract Award by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Launches BRAC Medical Training Construction in San Antonio**

**FORT WORTH, Texas** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, has awarded a contract to begin building the complex on Fort Sam Houston where the enlisted medical training of all branches of the U.S. military eventually will be consolidated. The \$140 million contract is for construction of two, 1,200-person dormitories on the Medical Education and Training Campus that is planned for the post, as a result of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) law. The contract was awarded to the Hensel Phelps Construction Company, which is headquartered in Greeley, Colorado, and operates a district office in Austin, Texas.

The dorms are just one portion of the Medical Education and Training Campus. This complex will be one of the largest medical education and training institutions in the world, with an average daily student enrollment that's expected to be more than 9,000. The two dorms will house incoming Air Force and Navy students. Along with the dorms, the campus will include approximately 1.2 million square feet of instructional and laboratory space, as well as dining and physical fitness facilities, and a recreation center. Contracts for construction of these additional facilities, including a third dormitory building, will be awarded in the future.

The dorm project is part of the San Antonio BRAC Program, a construction and renovation initiative aimed at providing the facilities and infrastructure necessary to implement the 2005 BRAC mandates. The mandates call for relocating several administrative and medical training missions to San Antonio, as well as consolidating certain missions that already exist at local installations. This initiative is scheduled to continue through September 2011 and is expected to cost in excess of \$2 billion.

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The facilities built and renovated on Fort Sam Houston during the BRAC Program are expected to make way for as many as 11,000 additional military personnel and federal employees.

Representatives of the Army Corps of Engineers are working on the BRAC Program as members of the Joint Program Management Office (JPMO), which is overseeing the design and construction efforts. The JPMO is a joint military service entity that represents a partnership between the Corps, the Air Force Center for Engineering and the Environment, the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, and private-sector contractors.

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