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SUBJ: ANTHRAX VACCINE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM PAUSE PASS TO OFFICE CODES:  
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NARR/REF A IS DEPSECDEF POLICY STATEMENT ANNOUNCING THE REINTRODUCTION OF THE ANTHRAX VACCINE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM (AVIP).

REF B IS NAVADMIN 351/02 ON RESUMPTION OF AVIP. REF C IS NAVADMIN 201/04 DIRECTING EXPANSION OF AVIP AND SMALLPOX VACCINATION PROGRAM (SVP). REF D IS NAVADMIN 239/04 DIRECTING RESUMPTION OF AVIP FOR DEFERRED PERSONNEL. REF E IS SECDEF LETTER DIRECTING AVIP PAUSE.

REF F IS NAVADMIN 007/03 ISSUING SVP GUIDANCE. REF G IS NAVADMIN 329/03 DIRECTING TEMPORARY STOPPAGE OF AVIP FOR ALL DOD PERSONNEL.

REF H IS NAVAMIN 003/04 DIRECTING RESUMPTION OF AVIP.// POC/KARI BUCHANAN/LCDR/CNO N931D5/LOC:WASHINGTON DC/TEL:703-601-1716 /TEL: DSN 329-1716/EMAIL: KARI.BUCHANAN@NAVY.MIL//

RMKS/1. REF A THROUGH D DIRECTED ANTHRAX VACCINE IMMUNIZATIONS BASED ON THREAT ANALYSIS AND AVAILABILITY OF A SAFE, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) APPROVED ANTHRAX VACCINE. SINCE 1998, DOD HAS SAFELY VACCINATED OVER 1 MILLION MILITARY, EMERGENCY-ESSENTIAL CIVILIAN, AND MISSION-ESSENTIAL CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL TO PROVIDE VITAL PROTECTION AGAINST ALL FORMS OF ANTHRAX DISEASE.

2. ON 27 OCTOBER 2004, THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ISSUED A NEW INJUNCTION AGAINST THE DOD AVIP. PER REF E, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, DOD WILL STOP ADMINISTERING ANTHRAX IMMUNIZATIONS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
3. THE NEW INJUNCTION IS SIMILAR TO THE ONE ISSUED IN REF G, AT WHICH TIME, DOD PAUSED AVIP PENDING CLARIFICATION OF LEGAL ISSUES. THE DECEMBER INJUNCTION WAS LIFTED APPROXIMATELY 2 WEEKS LATER PER REF H. PER REF E, THE NEW INJUNCTION AGAIN REQUIRES FDA TO COMPLETE REQUIRED PROCEDURES BEFORE ISSUING A FINAL RULE THAT THE ANTHRAX VACCINE IS SAFE AND EFFECTIVE FOR PROTECTION AGAINST INHALATION ANTHRAX.
4. ADDITIONAL ACTIONS:
  - A. PER REF F, SVP WILL CONTINUE AND IS NOT IMPACTED BY THE INJUNCTION NOR THIS NAVADMIN.
  - B. PER REF D PARA 3, CONTINUE TO SCREEN ALL ACTIVE AND RESERVE MEDICAL RECORDS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH ALL IMMUNIZATIONS, ENSURING IMMUNIZATION DATA IS CAPTURED IN THE MEDICAL RECORD, ON THE PHS-731 (YELLOW SHOT CARD) AND INTO AN APPROVED ELECTRONIC DATA SYSTEM THAT TRANSMITS TO DEERS.
  - C. FOR ANY PENDING MILITARY JUSTICE ISSUES, CONSULT WITH A STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE IN YOUR CHAIN OF COMMAND.
  - D. UNOPENED VIALS OF ANTHRAX VACCINE WILL BE STORED IN PLACE UNTIL FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS ARE ISSUED.
  - E. ALL ACTIVITIES WILL CONSOLIDATE AND REPORT THE INVENTORY OF ALL UNOPENED VIALS OF ANTHRAX VACCINE BY LOT NUMBER TO NAVMEDLOGCOM. INVENTORIES SHALL BE SUBMITTED BY 5 NOV 2004 VIA EMAIL TO LOUISE MCLUCAS, EMAIL ADDRESS: SLMCLUCAS@NMLC.MED.NAVY.MIL, TELEPHONE: COMM (301)619-8054.
  - F. IMPLEMENT PUBLIC AFFAIRS ACTIONS THAT INFORM PERSONNEL OF THE NECESSITY OF THIS TEMPORARY SUSPENSION PENDING THE CLARIFICATION OF THE LEGAL SITUATION.
5. DOD REMAINS CONFIDENT THAT THE ANTHRAX VACCINE COMPLIES WITH ALL LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND THAT THE VACCINE IS SAFE AND EFFECTIVE.
6. AVIP RESUMPTION DATE CANNOT BE DETERMINED AT THIS TIME.
7. RELEASED BY VICE ADMIRAL A. T. CHURCH, DIRECTOR, NAVY STAFF.//

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ACTION:  
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