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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, NAVY MEDICINE EAST COMMANDER, NAVY MEDICINE WEST

COMMANDER, NAVY MEDICINE NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA COMMANDER, NAVY MEDICINE SUPPORT COMMAND

SUBJECT:

Policy Guidance for Medical Personnel Attending

Commercial Combat Trauma Training

Ref:

(a) NAVMED P-117

(b) BUMEDINST 1500.22

(c) BUMED 111622Z Dec 06

(d) SECNAVINST 3900.38C

(e) 9 CFR parts 1-4

(f) DoDD 3216.1

Department of the Navy (DON) sponsored combat trauma training, including commercially contracted courses, requires Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) coordinated evaluation and approval before personnel attend training. Reference (a) outlines BUMED authority and responsibility for Navy Medical Department professional education and training. Operational readiness training programs, per reference (b) will be periodically reviewed and evaluated to determine whether programs meet DON education and training requirements. Reference (c) provides tactical combat casualty care guidance.

Modeling and simulation technology for practical skills exercise completion is encouraged. Courses, including commercially available combat trauma training, using animals must comply with references (d) through (f) and must be reviewed by the DON Director for Veterinary Affairs.

Training selection, course sponsor and resources, to include the use and care of animals in training, must be strictly managed in accordance with standards and regulatory requirements. Personnel are not permitted to attend combat trauma training courses until the course curricula have been evaluated and determined to be in compliance with training and regulatory guidance. BUMED will maintain the list of approved commercial combat trauma training courses. Approved courses will be re-assessed not less than every two years to ensure content quality and compliance with regulations and laws.

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