

Joint Task Force National Capital Region Medical **DIRECTIVE**

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SUBJECT: Utilization of Medics, Corpsmen, and Medical Technicians Skill Sets

References: See Enclosure 1

1. <u>PURPOSE</u>. This Directive, in accordance with the authority in References (a) through (d), as well as the guidance in Medical Command Memorandum; Headquarters United States Air Force/Service Group 1 Memorandum; DoD Instruction 4000.19; DoD 6025.13-R; JTF CapMed Action Memorandum; Commander, Joint Task Force Decision Memo #0004; Hospital Corpsmen Manual Naval Education and Training 14295A; United States Air Force 4N0X1/B/C (References (e) through (l)) establishes Commander, Joint Task Force National Capital Region Medical (JTF CapMed) policy for training, certifying, employing, and supervising Army Medics (68W), Navy Corpsmen (0000), and Air Force Medical Technicians (4N0), ensuring all enlisted medical personnel are able to use all available skill sets and competencies in performing the highest possible level of healthcare services in line with Service school education, training, and on-the-job experience.

2. <u>APPLICABILITY</u>. This Directive applies to:

- a. JTF CapMed and all Joint Medical Treatment Facilities (MTFs) and Centers in the National Capital Region (i.e., Fort Belvoir Community Hospital (FBCH), Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC), and the Joint Pathology Center).
- b. All enlisted medical personnel trained and certified to practice their occupational competencies. It is vital in administering competent health care support to the operating forces of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps within the JTF CapMed Joint Operating Area.

3. <u>POLICY</u>. It is JTF CapMed policy to:

a. Identify and capitalize on all competencies of the Army 68W, Navy 0000, and Air Force 4N0s in the deployed environment and based on Service policies within Joint MTFs and Centers.

- b. Authorize Army, Navy, and Air Force enlisted personnel assigned and/or attached to WRNMMC and FBCH to serve and practice to the full extent of their competencies within their particular Military Occupational Specialty (MOS), Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC), or Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC) identifier.
- c. Designate Medics, Corpsmen, and Medical Technicians as enlisted medical staff working alongside Primary Care Managers, medical doctors, Nurse Practitioners, Physican Assistants, Nursing Supervisors, Registered Nurses, and/or Head Nurses, in the care of beneficiaries in all patient care settings.
- d. Carry out ongoing orientation, training, skill set evaluation, competency assessment and validation, and oversight according to The Joint Commission guidelines and applicable Service-specific guidance.
- 4. RESPONSIBILITIES. See Enclosure 2.
- 5. <u>RELEASABILITY</u>. UNLIMITED. This Directive is approved for public release and is available on the Internet from the JTF CapMed Web Site at: www.capmed.mil.
- 6. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>. All provisions of this Directive are effective immediately.

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Enclosures

- 1. References
- 2. Responsibilities

ENCLOSURE 1

<u>REFERENCES</u>

- (a) Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Establishing Authority for Joint Task Force-National Capital Region/Medical (JTF CapMed) and JTF CapMed Transition Team (Unclassified)," September 12, 2007
- (b) Deputy Secretary of Defense Action Memorandum, "Civilian and Military Personnel Management Structures for the Joint Task Force National Capital Region-Medical," January 15, 2009
- (c) Comprehensive Master Plan for the National Capital Region Medical, April 23, 2010
- (d) Supplement to the Comprehensive Master Plan for the National Capital Region Medical, August 31, 2010
- (e) Medical Command Memorandum, "Occupational Standards and Competency of Enlisted Soldiers," November 29, 2010
- (f) Headquarters United States Air Force/Service Group 1 Memorandum, "Occupational Standards and Competency for Enlisted Airmen," December 21, 2010
- (g) DoD Instruction 4000.19, "Interservice and Intragovernmental Support," August 9, 1995
- (h) DoD 6025.13-R, "Medical Quality Assurance in the Military Health Service," June 11, 2004
- (i) JTF CapMed Action Memorandum, "Competency Based Orientation Program for Enlisted Medical Personnel," August 17, 2009
- (j) Commander, Joint Task Force Decision Memo #0004, "Standardized Enlisted Medication Administration Course," July 20, 2009
- (k) Hospital Corpsmen Manual Naval Education and Training 14295A, "Hospital Corpsmen," revised 2010
- (l) United States Air Force 4N0X1/B/C, "Aerospace Medical Service," April 1, 2007

ENCLOSURE 2

RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. MEDICS, CORPSMEN, AND MEDICAL TECHNICIANS AT WRNMMC AND FBCH. Medics, corpsmen, and medical technicians at WRNMMC and FBCH shall:
- a. Deliver patient care within their validated competency record and as outlined by Service-specific guidance in accordance with their MOS/NEC/AFSC.
- b. Work within established specific formularies to ensure these enlisted medical personnel can adequately deliver patient care within their respective competencies and under the supervision of the assigned nursing personnel.
- c. Complete the appropriate Joint MTF and Center training, orientation, and the Standardized Enlisted Medication Administration course (as appropriate based on area of assignment) as part of their competency assessment and validation.
- d. Be subject to review within the health care quality assurance program at WRNMMC and FBCH.
- 2. <u>NURSING SUPERVISOR OR CREDENTIALED PROVIDER</u>. The nursing supervisor or credentialed provider shall:
- a. In consultation with Joint MTF or Center leadership, remove the individual from all or a portion of their patient care duties if a medic, corpsman, or medical technician's conduct, condition, or performance requires immediate action to protect the safety of patients/staff or the integrity of their Service. Supervisors will follow clinic/department policy for immediate actions.
- b. Comply with Service-specific oversight, program management, and monitoring of health care delivery.
- 3. <u>ENLISTED MEDICAL TRAINEES</u>. All enlisted medical trainees will be supervised by facility training officials and are subject to and required to abide by all facility rules and applicable regulations.
- 4. <u>ALL SUPERVISORS AND SENIOR ENLISTED MEDICAL LEADERS</u>. All supervisors and Senior Enlisted Medical Leaders working with enlisted medical personnel will become knowledgeable of the competencies for medics, corpsmen, and medical technicians.

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