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The sequential policy number will help ensure you have all current policies, (i.e. if an MTF receives policy 96-073 in distribution and the latest one in the facility policy manual is 96-065, there'll be some searching to do!) Policy documents will be found in three places on the World Wide Web HA Home Page so you can easily download a document you may be missing -- in the What's New section, in the functional area, and in a new indexed Policy Documents section. (Please note, on the rare occasion that a sequential number is skipped, it will be acknowledged in the Policy Documents section on the Home Page).

Attached to this memorandum is a listing of all HA policies from Oct 1, 1995 to present. We have used the following criteria in classifying these documents as policies: 1) signature by Dr. Edwin Dorn, the Under Secretary for Personnel Readiness; Dr. Edward Martin, my Principal Deputy; or myself, 2) addressed to the Military Departments, the Surgeons General or the Lead Agents, 3) directive or broadly informative in nature, and 4) discusses the "What's" and "Why's" of a decision rather than the "How's" or "Where's." Please ensure personnel at all levels have easy access to all HA Policies.

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**HA POLICY 96-001**