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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, DEFENSE MEDICAL READINESS
TRAINING INSTITUTE (DMRTI)

SUBJECT: Combat Trauma Surgery Training Committee Meeting
(CTSC), 27-28 Oct 04

DMRTI will host the Combat Trauma Surgical Training Committee (CTSC) on 27-28 October 2004. Upon conclusion, the Commander, DMRTI should provide me the status of and plan for full implementation of the following:

- a. Measurable outcomes for all trauma surgery training.
- b. Concept and timetable to provide sustainment training to physicians and other professionals on a trauma team.
- c. Tri-service standards (minimum requirements) for trauma training for all DoD healthcare professionals, (including the Trauma Refresher Course for Surgeons).

Members of the CTSC should remain cognizant of the changing paradigm in the provision of civilian trauma care, the current training level and operational tempo of our deployed forces and the expanding role of forward resuscitative surgical capability in support of the Combatant Commanders' 21st century warfighting plans. Our military strategies mandate that the current medical force structure be more responsive in diverse operations and the Military Health Care System must develop and train for the next generation of rapid, joint, self-managed and scalable response assets. My POC for this issue is Colonel Ray Cunningham, edward.cunningham@ha.osd.mil or 703-578-8445.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ellen P. Embrey".

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