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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, MILITARY VACCINE AGENCY

SUBJECT: Suspension of Anthrax Vaccine Adsorbed Registry Reporting Requirements

In December 2006, the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness directed the Military Vaccine Agency to maintain verification and reporting requirements for Anthrax Vaccine Adsorbed at facilities administering the vaccine. This administrative requirement would continue until suspended by the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs.

Since the Emergency Use Authorization originally granted by the Food and Drug Administration in 2005 is no longer in effect, the reports are no longer needed by the Department of Defense leadership or FDA. Therefore, the administrative reporting requirements are suspended for any new or currently registered clinical sites until further notice. Although site registration and monthly reports are suspended, Military Service Anthrax Vaccine Implementation Plans remain in effect. This suspension does not include medical logistics reporting requirements concerning on-hand vaccine. Anthrax vaccine remains a critically important part of the Force Health Protection and Readiness Program of the Armed Forces.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles L. Rice".

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