

The seal of the Department of Defense is centered in the background. It features an eagle with wings spread, holding an olive branch and arrows, with a shield on its chest. The eagle is set against a blue background with a white border. The words "DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE" are written in a circular path around the eagle, and "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA" is written at the bottom.

CHLAMYDIA SCREENING OF FEMALE RECRUITS

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PRIOR USPSTF/CDC RECOMMENDATIONS

- **USPSTF (2001):** “...routinely screen all sexually active women aged 25 years and younger...” ([A recommendation](#))
- **CDC (2002):** “...annual screening of all sexually active women aged 20-25 yrs...”

AFEB RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHLAMYDIA SCREENING IN FEMALE RECRUITS

- AFEB (15-1a) 99-1, May 25, 1999:
 - Screen all female recruits ASAP after joining (e.g., recruit training period, w/in 1st year of service acceptable)
 - Screen all female MSM at time of routine PAP smear up to age 25 years of age

(Other recommendations on back up)

AFEB LETTER/MEMOS TO ASDHA

- Nov 2, 2000 - Memo to ASDHA & SGs:
 - Requested additional data/info updates
- Jan 12, 2005 - Letter to ASDHA:
 - Endorsed previous recommendations, recommended monitoring, requested Service updates at future meetings
- Dec 19, 2005 – Memo to ASDHA:
 - Recommended monitoring compliance to Service policies, assessing efficacy & cost effectiveness, & additional Service updates

CURRENT USPSTF/CDC RECOMMENDATIONS

- **USPSTF (2007):** Screening for chlamydial infection for all sexually active non-pregnant young women aged 24 and younger and for older non-pregnant women who are at increased risk. ([A Recommendation](#))
- **CDC (2006):** Annual screening of all sexually active women aged ≤ 25 years

(Other recommendations on back up slide)

CURRENT SERVICE POLICIES

- USN (Great Lakes): All female recruits since 1994
 - Cultures till Jul 2007, Urine testing since then
- Marines (Parris Island): All female recruits since 1997 (cultures)
- Air Force (Lackland): All female recruits since 2005 (urine)
- USCG (Cape May): All female recruits since 2004 (urine)
- Army (Jackson, Leonard Wood): All female recruits tested as part of required routine annual Pap smear screening (usually at 1st duty assignment following recruit/advance training). (Female testing during recruit training to begin Spring 2008-urine)

ASDHA RESPONSES TO AFEB LETTER/MEMOS TO ASDHA

- Feb 1, 2001 response to AFEB memo, Nov 2, 2000:
 - Clarified current DoD chlamydia screening policies
- Nov 8, 2006 response to AFEB letter Dec 19, 2005:
 - Confirmed Service compliance with AFEB rec re female recruit testing
 - Described proposed NQMP study of chlamydia screening in recruit training centers

- **Introduction to the DoD MHS-CQM (NQMP)**

- COL John Kugler, OCMO, TMA

- **NQMP Study of Chlamydia Screening in Active Duty Women**

- Dr. Joseph Kelly, Lockheed Martin/MHS-CQM

