SUBJ: THE ACCESSION SCREENING AND IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM (ASIP) THIS
ALARACT MESSAGE IS RELEASED ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF THE SURGEON
GENERAL

REF/A/REG/HQDA/ARMY REGULATION 40-562, IMMUNIZATIONS AND
CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS, 1 NOV 95//

REF/B/DOC/MCCG/18 NOV 05// APMN/MCCG MEMO, SUBJ: STANDARDS OF
IMMUNIZATION DELIVERY AT BASIC COMBAT TRAINING (BCT) POSTS//

NARRATIVE: THE ACCESSION SCREENING AND IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM (ASIP) IS
AN ARMY PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENSURE SOLDIERS RECEIVE IMMUNIZATIONS
ADHERING TO ACCEPTED MEDICAL STANDARDS AND TO GAIN CLINICAL AND
ECONOMIC ADVANTAGES OF DELIVERING INDIVIDUALIZED IMMUNIZATION REGIMENS.
THIS MESSAGE EXPLAINS THE PROGRAM TO ARMY ACTIVITIES WHO WILL RECEIVE
NEW SOLDIERS WHO PROCESSED THROUGH THIS PROGRAM AT BASIC TRAINING
SITES.

1. (U) ON 18 NOV 05, THE ARMY SURGEON GENERAL SIGNED A POLICY
MEMORANDUM ESTABLISHING THE ASIP PROGRAM AT ALL BASIC COMBAT TRAINING
POSTS (REF B). IAW THIS POLICY ALL MILITARY TREATMENT FACILITIES (MTF)
SERVING BASIC COMBAT TRAINING POSTS WILL ADOPT THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:

1A. (U) APPOINT A MEDICAL DIRECTOR (E.G., PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, NURSE
PRACTITIONER) WHOSE PRIMARY DUTY IS TO ASSURE APPROPRIATE ON-SITE
MEDICAL SUPERVISION OF IMMUNIZATION EXEMPTIONS, IMMUNIZATION SERVICES,
AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE.

1B. (U) ASSAY WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLES FROM ALL BASIC TRAINEES TO
DETERMINE EXISTING IMMUNITIES, BEGINNING WITH HEPATITIS A, HEPATITIS B,
MEASLES, RUBELLA, AND VARICELLA.

1C. (U) ALL SOLDIERS WITH SEROLOGIC EVIDENCE OF IMMUNITY WILL BE
MARKED MEDICALLY IMMUNE (MI) BY CLINIC STAFF IN MEDPROS, THE MEDICAL
PROTECTION SYSTEM.

1D. (U) SCREEN SOLDIERS PRIOR TO IMMUNIZATION FOR PERSONAL
CONTRAINDICATIONS (E.G., ALLERGIES, PRIOR SERIOUS ADVERSE EVENTS,
PREGNANCY) AND ENTER THESE FINDINGS IN MEDPROS.

1E. (U) AFTER REVIEWING MEDPROS FOR EXCEPTIONS BASED ON SEROLOGY
RESULTS AND INFORMATION OBTAINED DURING SOLDIER SCREENING,
INDIVIDUALIZE SOLDIER IMMUNIZATIONS. IMMUNIZE TRAINEES TO PREVENT
INFECTIONS TO WHICH THE TRAINEE IS NOT YET IMMUNE. DO NOT IMMUNIZE
TRAINEES WITH EVIDENCE OF IMMUNITY.
1F. (U) ADMINISTER SUBSEQUENT DOSES OF AN IMMUNIZATION SERIES AS APPROPRIATE DURING BASIC TRAINING (E.G., (SEC)OND OR LATER DOSES OF HEPATITIS A VACCINE, HEPATITS B VACCINE, VARICELLA VACCINE).

2. (U) IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

2A. (U) MILITARY TREATMENT FACILITIES SCREENING SOLDIER IMMUNIZATION RECORDS AFTER BASIC COMBAT TRAINING MUST RECOGNIZE SOLDIERS WITH EXISTING IMMUNITY CODED MEDICALLY IMMUNE (MI) IN MEDPROS OR MARKED IMMUNE ON DD FORM 2766.

2B. (U) SOLDIERS CODED MEDICALLY IMMUNE OR WITH DOCUMENTED EVIDENCE OF EXISTING IMMUNITY ON DD FORM 2766 SHOULD NOT BE RE-IMMUNIZED.

3. (U) LOST IMMUNIZATION RECORDS.

3A. (U) IF AN INDIVIDUAL'S IMMUNIZATION RECORDS ARE LOST, ASSUME THE INDIVIDUAL RECEIVED STANDARD IMMUNIZATIONS ADMINISTERED AT ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE BY THE INDIVIDUAL'S ENTRY SOURCE (ENLISTED, SERVICE ACADEMY, DIRECT COMMISSION) OR SHOWED SEROLOGIC EVIDENCE OF EXISTING IMMUNITIES UNLESS THERE IS OBJECTIVE EVIDENCE TO BELIEVE OTHERWISE.

3B. (U) DO NOT REPEAT IMMUNIZATIONS ASSUMED IN PARA 3A.

3C. (U) BASE DECISIONS FOR FUTURE IMMUNIZATIONS ON ASSUMED DATE OF LAST IMMUNIZATION.

4. (U) CLINICAL

4A. (U) REPORT ADVERSE EVENTS AFTER IMMUNIZATION TO THE VACCINE ADVERSE EVENT REPORTING SYSTEM, WWW.VAERS.HHS.GOV.

4B. (U) REPORT ANY CLINICALLY SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EVENT, EVEN IF A CAUSAL RELATIONSHIP TO IMMUNIZATION IS UNCERTAIN.

5. (U) EDUCATION.

5A. (U) HANDOUTS. PROVIDE SOLDIERS WITH EASY-TO-UNDERSTAND INFORMATION ABOUT VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASES AND VACCINES, MAKING AVAILABLE COPIES OF VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 42 US CODE, (SEC)TION 300(AA)(26).

5B. (U) THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL & PREVENTION (CDC) ISSUES VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENTS (VIS) WHICH WILL BE THE ARMY STANDARD FOR PATIENT-LEVEL INFORMATION ABOUT VACCINES WITH LIMITED EXCEPTIONS. FOR ANTHRAX AND SMALLPOX VACCINES, SEPARATE TRIFOLD BROCHURES WILL BE THE ARMY STANDARD. VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.CDC.GOV/NIP/PUBLICATIONS/VIS.

6. (U) POCS: LTC STEPHEN FORD, 703-681-5101 OR DSN 761-5101, OR EMAIL: VACCINES@OTSG.AMEDD.ARMY.MIL

7. (U) EXPIRATION DATE: 30 APR 08.