Lyme Disease in the MHS-
Question to the DHB

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“I request the DHB review the scientific evidence surrounding the issue of Borrelia burgdorferi …, and provide comments regarding the natural history, diagnosis, and treatment of the forms and stages of Lyme disease. I am particularly interested in the Board’s review of the known facts regarding chronic Lyme disease and current therapies, as well as findings regarding gaps in current data and scientific knowledge….”

Dr. Joseph E. Kelley

June 16, 2008
2/16/2008-Email query from Military Lyme Support representative to USAR Texas Reserve Ambassador inquiring about providing education to military doctors about the ILADS guidelines for treating Lyme disease

Email query forwarded by Reserve Ambassador to HA/TMA on same day
• Response providing general details about Lyme disease treatment & physician education in the MHS provided based on information provided by Services ID Consultants

• DASD(C&PP) asks DHB to review scientific evidence for Lyme disease treatment

• IDSA agrees to review the IDSA Practice Guidelines on Lyme disease
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LYME DISEASE: DIAGNOSIS & MANAGEMENT IN MTFs

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