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MEMORANDUM FOR MILPO's

SUBJECT: US Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Captains Career Course (CCC) and Combined Arms Exercise (CAX) Credit (NGB-ARH Policy Memo #06-050)

1. Reference: US Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Captains Career Course (CCC) Combined Arms Exercise (CAX) Credit

2. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide guidance for granting Combined Arms Exercise (CAX) credit for AMEDD Active Guard Reserve (AGR) and Reserve Component (RC) officers who completed AMEDD Officer Advanced Course (OAC) prior to 2004.

3. In accordance with reference 1, all AMEDD officers who completed AMEDD Officer Advanced Course (OAC) prior to 2004 are to be considered as having completed the CAX requirement and are eligible to enroll in the Intermediate Level Education (ILE).

4. Point of contact is Officer Policy, DSN 327-0023 or 703-607-0023.

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, US Army Human Resources Command (AHRC-ZA-S), 1 Reserve Way, St. Louis, Missouri 63132-5200

SUBJECT: US Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Captains Career Course (CCC) Combined Arms Exercise (CAX) Credit

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to eliminate confusion regarding the granting of CAX credit for AMEDD Active Guard Reserve (AGR) and other Reserve Component (RC) officers who attended the following courses: 6-8-C22, AMEDD Officer Advanced Course (OAC) and 6-8-C22, AMEDD Reserve Component Officer Advanced Course (RCOAC). All RC officers who graduated from these courses prior to the name change of the AMEDD CCC in 2004 are to receive credit for the CAX, and are qualified for Intermediate Level Education (ILE) attendance, as are graduates of the current AMEDD CCC or the 2 week RC AMEDD CCC.

2. When the AMEDD OAC was revamped in 1997 to include a distance learning phase as well as a resident phase, the course was modeled from the Combined Arms and Services Staff School (CAS3). In 2004, prior to elimination of CAS3, a comparison at the US Army Medical Department Center and School of the task list from the AMEDD OAC and that of CAS3 was accomplished to ensure equivalency. The analysis revealed that any difference in curriculum was minimal to the point of being statistically invalid. In both the AMEDD OAC and the AMEDD CCC, a major scenario-based tactical exercise utilizing roles of AMEDD officers is incorporated. A Battalion Task Force tactical exercise that is currently being converted to a Brigade Combat Team exercise as well as Stability and Support Operations exercise are also included in past and current Active and RC courses. It is our understanding, per guidance from Fort Leavenworth, that these exercises meet the intent and spirit of a CAX.

3. Your assistance in ensuring that AMEDD RC officers receive deserved educational credit to promote parity in competing for promotion is greatly appreciated. Inquiries may be directed to my proponent for CCC, COL James E. Gordon, (210) 221-8213, e-mail: james.gordon@amedd.army.mil, or the Deputy Course Director, LTC Anson Smith, (210) 221-7424, e-mail: john.smith4@cen.amedd.army.mil.

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