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BUMED INSTRUCTION 3040.2

From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery  
To: Ships and Stations Having Medical Department Personnel  
Subj: NAVY DENTAL CORPS CASUALTY TREATMENT TRAINING PROGRAM (CTTP)  
Ref: (a) BUMEDINST 1500.15A  
(b) MANMED chapter 6, article 27  
(c) OPNAVINST 6320.7  
(d) BUMEDINST 1510.19A

1. Purpose. To provide guidelines for administering the CTPP, formerly known as Casualty Treatment Training Course (CTTC).
2. Cancellation. NAVMEDCOMINST 3040.1A.
3. Background. In situations where casualties may occur, dental officers must be prepared to assist in the overall health care support effort by providing casualty assistance until definitive treatment may be administered by appropriately trained providers. Dental officers are billeted into operational assignments to include: Medical augmentation platforms (MAPS), afloat platforms, and may also be assigned duties with United States Marine Corps (USMC) Force Service Support Group (FSSG) surgical companies. These operational assignments increase the dental officers opportunity to provide emergency medical and dental support.
4. CTTP Sites. Activities designated as CTPP sites are listed in paragraph 7a.
5. Policy. Reference (a) mandates that dental officers will have advanced trauma life support (ATLS) training prior to operational assignments. Reference (b) states that dental officers must be qualified to perform ATLS resuscitative procedures during surge phases of combat or casualty situations. Dental officers usually accomplish this ATLS training at the Combat Casualty Care Course (C4). References (a) through (d) further define policy requiring attendance at a CTPP if a dental officer is being assigned to the operating forces. If ATLS qualifications were achieved more than 4 years prior to reporting to a new operational assignment, then CTPP may be used as an

alternative to repeating an ATLS course. The CTPP objective is to provide relevant refresher training for dental officers who have previously taken the required ATLS course.

6. Course Attendance. Since courses are not offered continuously throughout the year, proactive planning to ensure maximum participation is essential. Course quotas that remain unfilled waste valuable resources. Priority consideration for attendance will be given to those dental officers who are in receipt of, or anticipate operational assignments. Enrollments, other than dental officers attached to the CTPP site, may be as follows:

a. Dental officers from local ships or Marine Corps facilities who have approval from their own command and the commanding officer of the CTPP site.

b. Dental officers from distant Navy or Marine Corps facilities who have approval from their own command and the commanding officer of the CTPP site may request funding from Naval Medical Education and Training Command (NMETC), Code OGDC, to attend on temporary additional duty (TAD) orders.

c. United States Naval Reserve Dental Corps officers (Selected Reserves) and Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) dental officers assigned to, or expecting to be assigned to, an operational billet may apply and receive approval for a course quota. Permission is required from the commanding officer of the CTPP site and is on a space-available basis.

## 7. Action

a. The Navy Dental Corps CTPP will be administered by the commanding officers of the following Navy activities (CTPP sites):

- (1) Naval Dental Center Mid-Atlantic, VA
- (2) Naval Dental Center Great Lakes, IL
- (3) Naval Dental Center Southwest, CA

b. The course will be coordinated by a Navy dental officer who is a qualified instructor in casualty treatment procedures. The course will run approximately 5 days. To ensure standardization and uniformity of the course content and reference materials, a workshop for the course directors should be convened every 2 years by NMETC (Code OGDC). Requests for the

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assistance of medical officers to present appropriate portions of this training must be forwarded to the nearest naval hospital by the commanding officer of the CTPP site.

c. The commanding officer of a CTPP site must schedule classes for the program, notify the dental director, NMETC (Code OGDC) of course schedules, and report participants as directed in reference (d).

d. The commanding officers must also notify other commands with dental officers attached of the availability of training quotas.



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