General Instructions for Canine Trauma Combat Casualty Care Card

PURPOSE: The Canine Tactical Combat Casualty Care (cTCCC) card is for documenting a trauma or disease non-battle injury (DNBI) at the point of injury anywhere a canine is deployed in support of DoD operations. The cTCCC card will be filled out by the handler or provider who attends to the canine's trauma or DNBI. After medical treatment and resuscitation care is provided, the cTCCC card can be handed off to the nearest veterinary treatment facility or supporting veterinary unit to be scanned, uploaded and emailed to dog.consult@us.af.mil or the unit providing care can email directly. Once the MWD Trauma Registry is online, the first veterinary unit can input the information into the registry and scan the cTCCC card to upload into ROVR. The cTCCC card becomes part of the canine's permanent DoD medical record. For US Special Operations Command (SOCOM) canines, the cTCCC card will be filled out and returned to the handler or operator. The handler or operator will route the card to their respective veterinarian to be inputted into the MWD Trauma Registry and the canine's record.

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- To be completed by the handler, human medical provider, veterinary technician or veterinarian fulfilling the role at the point of injury.
- Time Zones: Record all time local 24 hour military format, hh:mm
- A+ (plus sign) means positive test result; a - (minus sign) means negative test result.

EVACUATION CATEGORY (mark as appropriate)

URGENT – Patient who should be evacuated as soon as possible and within **two** hours to save life, limb or eyesight

PRIORITY – Patient who should be moved within **four** hours or their condition will deteriorate to such a degree that will be urgent

ROUTINE – Patient whose condition is not expected to worsen significantly and who will require evacuation in the next **24** hours

EVACUATION MODE & TYPE (mark as appropriate)

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION

UNIT. Record the unit the canine is assigned

ANIMAL NAME. (self-explanatory)

TATTOO. (self-explanatory)

DATE. (DD-MM-YY)

TIME. Record all time local 24 hour military format, hh:mm

SEX. (mark as appropriate)

MECHANISM OF INJURY (mark as appropriate – use other for DNBI or if unknown – describe)

INJURY (mark the diagram where the trauma/injury or disease is located – if there are more than one injury, identify each with the mechanism of injury)

VITAL SIGNS (input vital signs at least hourly)

Pain Score:

    0 – Pain free

    1 – Very minor annoyance-occasional minor twinges

    2 – Minor annoyance-occasional

    3 – Annoying enough to be distracting

    4 – Can be ignored if you are really involved in your work, but still distracting,

    5 – Can't be ignored for more than 30 minutes.

    6 – Can't be ignored for any length of time, but you can still go to work and participate in social activities.

    7 – Make it difficult to concentrate, interferes with sleep, you can still function with effort

    8 – Physical activity severely limited. You can read and converse with effort. Nausea and dizziness may occur.

    9 – Unable to speak, crying out or moaning uncontrollable- pain makes you pass out

    10 - Unconscious. Pain makes you pass out.

FIRST RESPONDERS (self-explanatory)

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TREATMENTS (mark as appropriate) and annotate location where appropriate

    M (Massive Hemorrhage): (mark as appropriate)

    A (Airway Control): self-explanatory

    R (Respiratory Support): self-explanatory

    C (Circulation): FLUIDS (fill out as appropriate and complete as

    possible) **C (Fracture):** self-explanatory

    H (Hypo/hyperthermia): self-explanatory

    H (Head Injury): self-explanatory

MEDICATIONS (MEDS) (Circle the medication given and write the time given in the notes)
NOTES (Include any additional information (location/country, euthanized/KIA, treatment regiments
that were used to the treat the patient, etc.)

DISPOSITION OF THE FORM – (The form is to be kept with the patient until it can be put into the patient's record.) Pass the card to the next treatment facility. 1) Scan and email the card to dog.consult@us.af.mil . 2) Put the card into the patient's hard copy record. CAVEAT: For US Special Operations Command (SOCOM) canines, the cTCCC card will be filled out and returned to the handler or operator. The handler or operator will route the card to their respective veterinarian to be inputted into the MWD Trauma Registry and the canine's record.

DEFINITIONS
IED – Improvised explosive device
GSW – Gunshot wound
TQ – Tourniquet
ET – Endotracheal tube
TXA – Tranexamic acid