

July 29, 2020 MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR HEALTH AFFAIRS ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS) ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS) ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS) COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS (MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS) OFFICE OF THE JOINT STAFF SURGEON SURGEONS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS

SUBJECT: Department of Defense Distribution of Tactical Combat Casualty Care, Combat Lifesaver Curriculum

The standardized Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) Combat Lifesaver (CLS) curriculum is ready for full implementation across the Department and can be accessed at the Defense Health Agency (DHA) sponsored Deployed Medicine (DM) website and mobile app at https://www.deployedmedicine.com as the approved Joint repository for all TCCC training. The TCCC CLS curriculum was developed by members of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (ASD(HA)) sponsored TCCC CLS Curriculum Development Work Group, and meets all the requirements outlined in Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 1322.24, Medical Readiness Training (MRT), dated March 16, 2018.

On April 17, 2018, the ASD(HA) provided implementation guidance, directing the DHA in coordination with the Military Services to produce a standardized TCCC curriculum for each Tier of TCCC (Tier 1 (All Service Members), Tier 2 (Combat Lifesaver), Tier 3 (Enlisted Medical Providers) and Tier 4 (Combat Paramedic/Provider) as outlined in the MRT DoDI.

This memorandum complies with ASD(HA) memorandum, dated May 6, 2020, that directs "Military Services to replace trauma skills taught in Service first aid and self-aid/buddy care courses with the role-appropriate TCCC skill level course as directed in DoDI 1322.24." At their discretion, each Service will come out with specific implementation guidance. This standardized TCCC CLS curriculum must be delivered consistently throughout each Service by verified trainers at each training site in order to adhere to the Secretary of Defense's guidance of developing "Cross-Functional Teams" supporting a full range of air, land, and sea operations increasing Joint interoperability. The JTS TCCC CLS online Train-the-Trainer Course, certifying all TCCC CLS Trainers, will be available no later than the date of this memorandum.

Pursuant to the ASD(HA) guidance, the DHA is working closely with Service TCCC subject matter experts to develop the curricula for Tiers 3-4. The point of contact for this action MSG Mike Remley. He can be reached at (210) 539-9174 or michael.a.remley.mil@mail.mil.

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Attachments:

- 1. DoDI 1322.24, "Medical Readiness Training"
- 2. Institutionalization Memo
- 3. Implementation Memo