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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Flight Medic Protocols Release Statement, for Standard Medical Operating Guideline (SMOG)

1. The “*unofficial*” draft of the US Army MEDEVAC, Flight Paramedic Handbook, Standard Medical Operating Guideline (Flight Paramedic Protocols and Procedures Guidelines) is now complete and released to the field for unit use as appropriate to the experience, training, and scope of practice of unit medical crews. If utilized, unit medical directors are encouraged to reorganize and adjust this document in whatever manner needed to support your individual mission and the appropriate scope of practice of your unit medical crews.
2. This release is a draft document. It has been vetted and approved for release (as the *unofficial* draft version) through the Aerospace Medicine Consultant and Deputy Consultant for Aerospace Medicine (Emergency Medical Service) to the OTSG, COL Brian Smalley, and COL Robert T. Gerhardt respectfully. Over the next 6-8 months, this document will go through a formal Aerospace and Emergency Medicine committee review process within AMEDD that will produce an AMEDD approved standardized publication to be released to the Borden Institute for publication. In addition, we will be looking to incorporate it into an existing or new Army Training Publication. It will be used throughout all facets of future training models and Programs of Instruction for the Army Critical Care Flight Paramedic (CCFP), including CCFP training at Joint Base San Antonio and the future Flight Paramedic training at USASAM.
3. Upon final, formal review and publication, this document will serve as the new Army standard for aeromedical care provided aboard US Army air ambulances. However, unit medical providers are not expected to utilize these protocols blindly. In fact, unit medical directors are and will be expected to manipulate and adjust these protocols to fit unit mission and medical crew training / experience. Medical directors should utilize these protocols and procedures as a baseline standard and adjust components (make changes / additions) as needed, to appropriately and responsibly manage individual unit medical missions within the scope of practice of their Flight Paramedics, Flight Medics, Flight Nurses, and FS/APAs.
4. The following hyperlink points to the SMOG draft held on the MEDEVAC Enterprise Portal via AKO. <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/684746> . You will have to sign in via CAC/PIV. On the MEDEVAC Enterprise Portal, select “Shared Files/Collaboration”. On the “Shared Files/Collaboration” page, scroll downward to the USASAM banner (on left side), click the “drop down menu” and select FOUO Shared Files. Select “SMOG Draft Complete v1” for SMOG draft copy.
5. The point of contact for this memorandum is the undersigned at 334-255-7803.

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