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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (M&RA)
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SUBJECT: Expanded Use of Inter-facility Credentials Transfer Brief (ICTB)

In a memorandum dated July 11, 1994, we implemented the ICTB to speed transfer of credentials between MTFs and standardize credentialing procedures across the MHSS. We designed the credentials transfer instrument primarily as a readiness initiative with secondary benefits to the managed care aspects of TRICARE. The ICTB was originally restricted to use with uniformed military and MHSS civilian personnel. This memorandum expands availability of the ICTB to all privileged providers, including contractors, resource sharing, Veterans Administration and non-military, uniformed providers.

This policy change is effective immediately. My point of contact is LtCol David Litts, who can be reached at (703) 695-6800.

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