

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 20, 2004 MEETING OF THE MEDICAL JOINT CROSS SERVICE GROUP (MJCSG)

LOCATION: 2300 E Street, NW, Washington, DC First Floor Conference Room, 1300 -1600

Attending: LG Taylor – Chair, ADM Cowan – Navy Surgeon General, MG Farmer – Army Surgeon General, Mr. O’Connell - DoDIG, CAPT Shimkas- BUMED, Mr. Ford – ASD (HA)/CP&P, Col Hamilton – Secretary

Decisions:

- Next meeting of MJCSG, 3 Feb 04, 1300 – 1700
- Next meeting of 06 Lead, 22 Jan 04, Pentagon, 2C554 at 1530
- Scoring plans and briefs complete by end of Jan 04
- Briefing to ISG planned Feb 04
- The MJCSG reviewed and approved all of the attribute and metric exclusions provided by the subgroups in their briefings.

Action Items:

- E&T need to add coverage of GME related research activities in their MV questions
- E&T will make joint training an attribute rather than a metric. Rephrase student value to beneficiary, by asking what services would not be offered if graduate programs were eliminated? Or initial training was eliminated
- RD&A needs to find a way to measure their research sites as unique with no civilian equivalent
- All work groups will resubmit questions, along with sensitivity analysis of the models.
- Questions for Force Sizing model be presented at 22 Jan 04, meeting.

Meeting Overview:

- The Chair discussed the importance of taking time to do the BRAC process well. The Secretary gave the Military Value (MV) overview, explained the sub-workgroup process. ISG MV briefings will begin on 12 Feb 04; at this point OSD is not certain if the MJCSG will be the first to brief. Work groups have set up their briefing of the scoring systems to include selection criteria, attributes, and issues. Items having a low overall scoring weight, dropped from the scoring package. All briefings reviewed and approved in total.
- A MJCSG member stated that mathematically too many overall questions narrow the difference between the facilities, making it challenging to distinguish one facility from another. MJCSG agreed and stated that workgroups should take this time to review questions prior to the questions being vetted through the certification process. Workgroups were encouraged to review their own questions and ran their models with test data.
- General discussion then began to center on the phrasing of questions. Making them easier to understand and targeting on the purpose of groups of questions. A member brought up the questions concerning, “workforce uniqueness?” The RD&A work group was requested to find a way to measure their research sites as unique with no civilian equivalent, rather than

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unique in the DOD system. Then discussion focused on the future of joint efforts and began to challenge the workgroup members to find a way to ask the field how easily training programs could become "joint", in the future. All agreed that "joint-ness" should be made an attribute not a metric.

- A MJCSG member asked if someone was capturing research efforts from GME research as a MV. RDA and E&T stated that neither had included questions in their baseline for GME research however, E&T would volunteer to roll that into their group of question sets. The Marketing workgroup briefed. Questions asked focused on how to locate critical provider lists and how to locate underserved markets for military members. Marketing was asked how to go about getting a participation rate for providers per region. They will get back with the secretary with ideas pertaining to that task. On another issue, an MJCSG member asked if this was the forum to add a question about OCONUS dental care for deployed AD members or would that roll into the Force Sizing model. The secretary requested that the questions for Force Sizing be available before the next meeting. The Infrastructure workgroup took the floor and laid out the principles discussing the "reach back and push forward capability" of contingency information.
- In response to the Chair, the Secretary noted that the MJCSG Military Value exercise would not result in a single, rating for all DoD medical facilities. Rather each of the subgroups would rate the military value of DoD facilities within their domains.
- NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 22 Jan 2004 at 1530 – 1700, Pentagon 2C554.



GEORGE P. TAYLOR, JR.
Lieutenant General, USAF, MC, CFS
Chair

Attachments:

1. Additional Attendees
2. Military Value Briefing
3. Deployable Force Sizing

Attachment 1: Additional Attendees List (Missing)

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MJCSG Military Value Scoring



Agenda

- **Process Overview**
- **Matrix Review**
- **Items not Included**



Process Overview

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- **The Players:**
- **The Process**
 - **How decisions were made**



Review Scoring Plan Matrix

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