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SUBJECT: Guidance for Military Health System Video Teleconference Standards

This memorandum supercedes Military Health System (MHS) Video Teleconference Standards Guidance for fixed facilities dated January 14, 2002. This guidance was developed by the Tri-Service Technical Integration Working Group and was coordinated and approved by the MHS Information Management Program Review Board. Implementing a standards profile for VTC equipment used in MHS fixed facilities will achieve economies of scale, increase interoperability, reduce complexity, and simplify the management of Video Conferencing.

Attachment 1 presents the VTC standards profile for fixed facilities within the MHS. These standards will allow us to communicate effectively with VTC as a medium. To ensure a high-quality VTC session, there must be compatible video, communications and control, audio, and data. All new VTC acquisitions and planned upgrades using Defense Health Program funding should comply with these standards. These VTC standards comply with the DoD Joint Technical Architecture and industry best practices. The guidance in this memorandum will be updated in the future to reflect advances in technology, product availability and market support. The guidance in this memorandum will be updated in the future to reflect advances in technology, product availability and market support.

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Attachment:
As stated

Military Health System Video Teleconference Baseline Standards

Type	IEEE Standard
Video, Communications and Control	H.320, H.323, H.221, H.230, H.242, H.243, H.244, H.261, and H.263
Audio	G.711, G.722, and G.728
Data	T.120, T.122, T.124, and T.125