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SUBJECT: Treatment of USAF Reserve and Air National Guard Members

By now, many members of the Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard have been called to active duty in support of the United States' efforts to combat terrorism. Many of these members may not have current dental examinations and are dental readiness class 4. Other members, once examined, may actually be dental readiness class 3. We share a responsibility, along with our Reserve and Guard Dental Components, to bring these members to a state of dental readiness.

I encourage all active force dental treatment facilities to assist our Guard and Reserve medical and dental services to the fullest extent possible. This may come in the form of requests for use of our active duty dental facility and/or dental personnel to assist with the examinations. I recognize that many of our dental services will be surging to support their active duty missions as well as preparing for their own deployment missions. Therefore, it will be a local decision on the extent of assistance possible. But, where local resources permit, assisting our Reserve and Guard members with dental readiness is the right thing to do.

Many Reserve and Guard members will have a DD Form 2813, Department of Defense Reserve Forces Dental Examination Form as part of their dental record. This a statement of a dental examination performed by a civilian dentist with an assessment of dental readiness. While this form will not allow specific dental needs to be determined, it will allow the dental officer to update a dental readiness classification. The gold standard will continue to be a comprehensive dental examination; however, the use of the DD Form 2813 will permit assigning appropriate dental readiness classifications.

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