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SUBJECT: COVID-19 Neonatal Resuscitation Program® Training Extension

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide updated guidance within the Military Health System for the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Neonatal Resuscitation Program® (NRP). The memorandum updates guidance previously provided 12 Apr 2020, which detailed a 60 day extension. With ongoing precautionary measures being taken globally to control spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), effective immediately, and in alignment with AAP guidance released 15 Apr 2020, personnel whose NRP training completion cards have expired or will expire in March, April, May, June, or July 2020 due to inability to complete training are effectively extended beyond its renewal date, for up to 120 days in total. This extension may be extended, depending on how the COVID-19 public health threat evolves.

Defense Health Agency (DHA) is supportive of those facilities that deem it prudent to cancel training during this crisis. For those facilities that continue to execute perinatal training, refer to the AAP COVID-19 NRP guidance (<https://www.aap.org/en-us/continuing-medical-education/life-support/NRP/Pages/NRP.aspx>), as well as adhere to the guidance of national, state, and local public health authorities to ensure student and instructor safety is maintained. DHA will provide training updates periodically to ensure appropriate safety measures are in place for all personnel.

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