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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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(U) Proposed Educational Partnership Agreements (EPAs) with HBCU/MI (U) (MCMR-SD).

During the last two years, USAMRMC has been very successful in hosting undergraduate students from Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions (HBCU/MI) whose major field of study is closely aligned with medical research and allied health sciences. The USAMRIID along with the USAMRMC headquarters endorsement have worked diligently with USAMRMC OSBP, 000 Summer Employment Training Program and United Negro College Fund Special Programs Corporation, to select and assign highly competitive undergraduates to work alongside our premier Principal Investigators and Research Scientists for 9 weeks during the summer.

Attached is a map of the contiguous United States highlighting our network of 6 laboratories and their close proximity of many the HBCU/MI that have a significant medical research and allied health/sciences capability.

Subject to your review and approval, recommend that USAMRMC take a proactive approach and establish EPAs (FY 2008) between the subordinate labs and neighboring HBCU/MI. The strategic benefit to USAMRMC is that we not only demonstrate our compliance with Public Laws, but as a command, we are actively providing training opportunities and recruiting qualified HBCU/MI undergraduates to fill critical research government positions. This approach will underscore our recruitment/retention efforts for prospective military (R.O.T.C.) and civilians who are considering employment within the USAMRMC.

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