BUMED INSTRUCTION 11110.7A

From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

Subj: FINAL APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR MEDICAL AND DENTAL FACILITY DESIGN

1. **Purpose.** To establish the final approval authority for the design of all Navy medical and dental facility projects (military construction (MILCON) and other) within the Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) claimancy.

2. **Cancellation.** BUMEDINST 11110.7.

3. **Background.** The BUMED Facilities Division (MED-33) is delegated final approval authority on the design projects of facility improvement. On occasion, a BUMED activity will direct a design change which is in conflict with current BUMED policy. This has the potential of causing unnecessary expense during the design process and may lead to a delay in occupancy of a facility. Therefore, a clear policy statement is required to establish Chief, BUMED as final approval authority with regard to facility design.

4. **Action.** Use the following procedures to implement this policy:

   a. BUMED Facilities Division, specifically the Design Branch (MED-331), is delegated final approval authority for design of all Navy medical and dental projects (MILCON and other) within the BUMED claimancy. This authority applies regardless of the resource sponsorship of the project (Department of Defense, Chief of Naval Operations, foreign host nation, etc.).

   b. All activities involved with medical and dental facilities projects must forward design recommendations and changes through MED-331 for approval.

   c. The Facilities Division has architects and engineers available to field activities on a consultation basis. Personal, telephone, or e-mail communication is encouraged vice official written correspondence to expedite acceptable recommendations and minimize energy expended on those recommendations not having total agreement.

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