

## OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: California and Arizona Legislative Initiatives on Medical Use of Controlled Substances

On January 13, 1997, the Secretary of Defense issued a memorandum setting forth the Department's policies concerning the California and Arizona initiatives authorizing physicians, under certain circumstances, to prescribe controlled substances. He stated that all policies concerning DoD civilian contractors remain in full force and effect, and that DoD remains committed to a Drug Free Workplace.

In order to ensure that our contractors fully understand our position on this matter, contracting and grant officers shall remind contractors and grantees (a) of their responsibilities under the Drug Free Workplace Act and the DoD Drug Free Workforce Rule (if applicable); (b) that any use of marijuana or other Schedule I controlled substance remains a prohibited activity; and (c) that failure to comply with these provisions may result in termination of the contract or grant as well as suspension or debarment from future federal government contracts and grants.

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## Attachment

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