CLARIFICATION TO MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS GUIDANCE FOR ENTRY TO U.S. AFRICA COMMAND (USAFRICOM) THEATER

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GENTEXT/NOTIFICATION//

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1. THE INFORMATION IN THIS MESSAGE IS PUBLISHED TO PROVIDE CLARIFICATION AND GUIDANCE TO LANGUAGE CURRENTLY FOUND IN THE AFRICOM MEDGUIDE (REF A) AND ACI 4200.09 (REF B) IN REFERENCE TO MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS FOR THE USAFRICOM THEATER. 2. THE AFRICOM SURGEON'S OFFICE HAS NOTED A MARKED INCREASE IN MALARIA CASES AMONG DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PERSONNEL IN 2016. ALL CASES HAVE OCCURRED IN PATIENTS WHO TRAVELED OR DEPLOYED TO SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA, AND MOST WERE TAKING DOXYCYCLINE AS PRIMARY MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS. ATOVAQUONE-PROGUANIL (MALARONE) HAS BEEN SHOWN TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE (97-100%) THAN DOXYCYCLINE (95%) IN PREVENTION OF PLASMODIUM FALCIPARUM MALARIA. AND IS BETTER TOLERATED IN RANDOMIZED, DOUBLE-BLIND, PLACEBO-CONTROLLED TRIALS,// 3. MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS (MEDICATION) IS NOT 100% EFFECTIVE. ADDITIONALLY, OTHER INSECT-BORNE DISEASES ARE UNAFFECTED BY CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS. THEREFORE, REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF INSECT BITES RECEIVED IS PARAMOUNT. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES DETAILED. IN ENCLOSURE G, SECTION 2. ARE TO BE EMPHASIZED AT ALL LEVELS OF COMMAND.//

4. CLARIFICATION OF ENCLOSURE G, SECTION 1.C.(2) MALARIA

CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS UTILIZATION. THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES ARE CONSIDERED HIGH MALARIA TRANSMISSION AREAS, AND THE USE OF ATOVAQUONE-PROGUANIL (MALARONE) AS PRIMARY MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS IS DIRECTED, UNLESS CONTRAINDICATED://

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5. THE ABOVE LIST OF COUNTRIES IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON EVIDENCE OF DISEASE THREAT INCREASE OR DECREASE IN THE FUTURE.

6. DOXYCYCLINE MAY BE USED AS A SECOND-LINE AGENT IN THESE COUNTRIES, BUT ONLY IN THE CASE OF ALLERGY, INTOLERANCE, OR OTHER MEDICAL

CONTRAINDICATION TO THE USE OF ATOVAQUONE-PROGUANIL (MALARONE). MEFLOQUINE REMAINS A THIRD-LINE AGENT. THE RATIONALE FOR USE OF SECOND- OR THIRD-LINE AGENTS SHOULD BE DOCUMENTED IN THE MEDICAL RECORD.//

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