

Proposal to Establish/Facilitate Role of the DOE Chief Medical Officer

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1.0 Proposal

The Following is *Proposed* for EFCOG Consideration and Support

That the collected EFCOG sites commit to assisting DOE HQ with the establishment of the office of the DOE CMO by detailing a senior physician from each participating site to rotate through HQ for at least a “three month” period.



2.0 Genesis of This Proposal

- ❑ Discussion of DOE CMO arose in EFCOG
- ❑ Job Created by HQ and Posted in September
- ❑ At Pantex...
 - Great Anticipation/ Frequent Discussions
 - Desire to be “*Facilitative*”
 - *Recognition of Steep Learning Curve*
- ❑ Conversation with Former RTBF Manager at Pantex
 - Indicated this General Approach is Used by DOE in the RTBF funding arena with very positive results
 - Suggested there was already an “Approved” DOE mechanism (?) that could possibly be used



3.0 What It Is/Is Not...

□ It is...

- An attempt to *Facilitate/Establish* the DOE-CMO role
- Hedge against *Austere Funding Environment* under CR
- An acknowledgement of *How Key the DOE-CMO Function is...*

□ It is NOT...

- An Attempt to *Manipulate* the DOE-CMO
- An Attempt to *Supplant* the DOE-CMO
- An Attempt to Pull the Focus toward...
 - *One Site's View of Issues*
 - *One Set of Issues...*



4.0 Logistical/Funding Issues

□ Potential HQ Issues

- Conflict of Interest/ Inappropriate Role
- Cost of Living adjustment (if needed) for physician detailed to HQ
- Housing/Transportation
- Continuity from one rotating physician to the next

□ Potential Site Issues

- Probably requires 3-4 Site's participation to be viable
- Temporary Loss of Key Staff Member
- Covering Base salary for "loaned" physician
- Defining benefit to each local site
- Need a minimum set of sites to *all agree*



5.0 Advantages/Disadvantages...

□ Advantages...

- If Continuing Resolution impacts the slot/timing...
 - May allow Office to be established (regardless)
- Cost sharing between HQ and sites produces better value
- Reciprocal benefits for physicians from the field (Better understanding)...
- *Less travel for new CMO away from Germantown*

□ Disadvantages...

- Effort to “sell” Concept to Site management during CR
- Loss of a key staff member for 3-6 months
- Establishing framework for equitable cost sharing



6.0 Discussion

