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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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In 1990, Congress instructed the Chaplaincy to establish the position of Military Bioethicist with the responsibility of promoting ethical standards in military health care and in 1992 the first Military Bioethicist was assigned to Walter Reed. One of the primary ways this mission is carried out is the Medical Ethics Short Course (MESC), held each year at WRNMMC. A decades old tradition, this is the twenty fourth year participants will receive training focused on ethical dilemmas encountered by today's military. The MESC is a 30 hour course providing professional educational credits on the topic of "Ethical Care in the Treatment of Patient from a Military Perspective". Training is planned and provided by the Bioethicist with assistance from subject matter specialists from the WRNMMC / USUHS communities. Each day has a unique theme. Participants may register for a single day - for 8 HRS of credit (6 on Wednesday) - or the entire event. Those who do attend the entire event receive a certificate of completion as well as their CEU credits. All of this is provided at no cost to attendees. This year's event takes place at the National Intrepid Center for Learning, December 5-8, 2016.

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