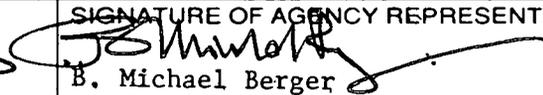


<b>REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY</b> (See Instructions on reverse)		<b>LEAVE BLANK (NARA use only)</b>	
TO NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NIR) WASHINGTON, DC 20408		JOB NUMBER N1-15-94-1	DATE RECEIVED 10-12-93
1. FROM (Agency or establishment) Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION Veterans Health Administration (VHA)		In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10.	
3. MINOR SUBDIVISION Central Office			
4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER	5. TELEPHONE	DATE	ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES
Marjorie M. Leandri	233-5450	12/25/93	James M. Moore

6. AGENCY CERTIFICATION  
I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached 2 page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,

is not required;  is attached; or  has been requested.

DATE 9/9/93	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE  B. Michael Berger	TITLE Director, Records Management Service (723)
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7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10. ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
1	<p>Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Health Administration</p> <p>The Medical Inspector's Office oversees quality management programs at the local and regional level. The office reviews aspects of quality in VA medical facilities to determine the appropriateness of patient care and services, effective utilization of resources, safety of patients, and the conduct or performance of VA employees and others engaged in the provision or support of patient care.</p> <p>The Medical Inspector Records pertain to investigations to identify problems in the delivery of health care, to analyze and review actual and potential problems, and to propose corrective action. The records are the results of investigations of unexpected or unfavorable incidents which patients encounter during the course of treatment. Such incidents include those which would not be considered a natural consequence of the patient's disease process or illness, as well as those incidents which carry a recognized risk of medical intervention. The incident may be an illness or injury resulting from either omission or commission by a health care provider or the direct result of medical intervention during the course of providing patient care.</p>	N1-15-92-4	

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7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10. ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
1a.	<p>The Medical Inspector's Investigation Records consist of documents, memoranda, reports, and other records related to quality assurance investigations.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> Temporary. Retire to the Washington National Records Center (WNRC) after 3 years. After 7 years, destroy at WNRC. The overall retention for the records is 10 years.</p>		
1b.	<p>The Medical Inspector Site Visit Reports consist of site visit reports and other record documents related to site visits.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> Temporary. Retire to WNRC after 10 years. After 10 years, destroy at WNRC. The overall retention for the records is 20 years.</p> <p>Pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 5705 (Medical Quality Assurance Record Confidentiality), and its implementing regulations, each agency record that is protected by 38 U.S.C. 5705, is accepted by the Archivist of the United States for storage, processing, and servicing, shall be considered to be maintained by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and subject to the provisions of Title 38. The Archivist of the United States shall not disclose the records except to VA, or under the rules established by VA.</p>		