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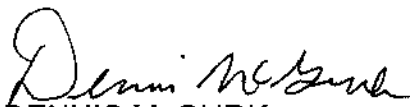
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Department of Defense (DoD) Endorsement of "Promoting Strong Military Families through PROSPER Partnerships" Study

1. The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) with endorsement from the Department of Defense, has funded a research project entitled, "Promoting Strong Military Families through PROSPER Partnerships" under Grant number 1 R01 DA037024-01. The Co-principal investigators of the study are Dr. Robert Bray (RTI International) and Dr. Richard Spoth (Iowa State University) for whom this memorandum serves as an introduction to you.
2. Drs. Bray and Spoth are evaluating the adaptation and implementation of a nationally recognized evidence-based family skills-building curriculum called the *Strengthening Families Program: For Parents and Youth 10-14* (SFP 10-14) through an evidence-based delivery system, called PROSPER (PROMoting School-community-university Partnerships to Enhance Resilience). The SFP 10-14 and the PROSPER delivery system will be adapted for use with National Guard/Reserve (NGR) and Active Duty (AD) military families in North Carolina. Support from military commands will greatly enhance the chances for success.
3. Strong families are critical to the strength and stability of the NGR and AD components. The DoD is highly supportive of this research effort and endorses this study. It will allow us to assess the effectiveness of an innovative, evidence-based intervention delivery model and associated family program in improving family functioning and preventing substance misuse, as well as other risk behaviors.
4. We appreciate your support in facilitating this study. If you have any questions, please contact LTC James McKnight at [james.r.mcknight12.mil@mail.mil](mailto:james.r.mcknight12.mil@mail.mil) or (301) 619-7765.

  
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