

Enclosure: Proposed Language for FY 2020 Defense Appropriations Committee Report

1. PEER-REVIEWED MEDICAL RESEARCH PROGRAM

The conference agreement provides \$XXX,000,000 for a peer-reviewed medical research program. The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in conjunction with the Service Surgeons General, to select medical research projects of clear scientific merit and direct relevance to military health. Research areas considered under this funding are restricted to the following areas: ...Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. The additional funding provided under the peer-reviewed medical research program shall be devoted only to the purposes listed above.