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Harris Announces \$5.8 Million Army Contract for METI

Sarasota Company Receives Three Year Contract to Equip

Washington, Feb 8 -

U.S. Representative Katherine Harris (R-Fla.) today announced a \$5.8 Million U.S. Army contract for Medical Education Technologies, Inc. (METI). METI, based in Sarasota, FL, was awarded the three year Army contract to supply high-tech human patient simulators for equipping Army Medical Simulation Training Centers for operational units.

"This is great news not only for METI, but also for Florida. METI continues to produce ground-breaking technology and critical life-saving initiatives right in our own backyard," said Congresswoman Harris. "METI is creating the technology necessary to give Army medical personnel the training that will prove to be a life-saving tool for our men and women in uniform"

METI produces lifelike computerized medical mannequins, which will be integrated into the training curriculum for the Army's entire force of 40,000 medics. Since human patient simulators were first introduced into military medical training programs, the Army has seen an improvement among medics who experienced training with simulators.

"This award represents a major initiative for military combat medical sustainment training for U.S. troops," said Lou Oberndorf, METI President and CEO. "Exposure to realistic and intense human life or death scenarios has successfully provided thousands of medics with critical thinking and life-saving skills, confidence and the ability to put learned theories to use before exposure to real life situations."

METI simulators are designed to simulate various medical emergency scenarios including effects from weapons of mass destruction, bio-terrorism and injuries common among military personnel. Hardware and software enable METI patient simulators to exhibit hundreds of medical scenarios while accurately and independently recognizing and responding to medical treatment and medication.

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