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**MEMORANDUM FOR MILLENNIUM COHORT STUDY MEMBERS**

**SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation and Request for Continued Assistance with Military Health Effort**

1. A few years ago you completed a Department of Defense survey as part of the Millennium Cohort Study. This study allows you to have a voice and potentially improve the health of both current and future Soldiers. I wish to express my sincerest appreciation for your past contributions to the largest Congressionally-directed study on the long-term health of service members and veterans. I strongly endorse this DoD study and encourage you to continue your participation in this important endeavor by completing your follow-up survey. This is essential even if you are no longer serving in the Army.
2. The Millennium Cohort Study strengthens our military by comparing health status prior to deployment, or other occupational events, with health status afterwards. Only then can we have the complete picture, through your diligence in submitting surveys over the years. The study will provide top leaders with a snapshot of service-related health and help guide prevention strategies. This survey is only being sent to a select number of Soldiers to represent the Army, therefore your feedback is important.
3. The study team recently sent you invitations via email and postal mail to complete your follow-up survey. If you have not had the chance to complete it, please visit [MillenniumCohort.org](http://MillenniumCohort.org).
4. I encourage you to represent the many Soldiers defending this great nation. Thank you in advance for your selfless service and dedication to this study.

  
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