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**Addendum to the Fiscal Year 2000 (FY00)  
Ovarian Cancer Research Program (OCRP) Announcement**

This addendum has been provided to address questions about the Program Project Award mechanism. Program Project Awards are one of two funding mechanisms offered by the Department of Defense (DOD) OCRP for FY00. One of the goals of the Program Project Award mechanism is to enhance ovarian cancer research infrastructure. To extend infrastructure to a greater number of institutions, the OCRP Integration Panel (IP), consisting of experts from academic and non-DOD government institutions, has expressed a strong interest in recommending for funding those scientifically meritorious proposals from institutions that do not have active DOD or National Cancer Institute (NCI) program project-type grants for ovarian cancer research at the release date of the FY00 Program Announcement. Specifically, institutions that do not have active DOD OCRP Program Project grants as solicited in the FY97 and FY98 Program Announcements, NCI Program Project grants in ovarian cancer, or NCI Specialized Program of Research Excellence (SPORE) grants for ovarian cancer research, will be given preference for funding. Following scientific peer review by a separate expert panel, the IP will meet to recommend funding of proposals based on criteria published in the FY00 Program Announcement. Proposals from institutions without active DOD or NCI program project-type grants for ovarian cancer research as noted above will be considered first. Any remaining proposals from institutions with active DOD or NCI program project-type grants will be reviewed and recommended for funding or alternate status only if they are most meritorious and fill a scientific void in the OCRP grant portfolio.

