

Presentation 20 – Lea Steele

RAC Committee Business

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- Future Meetings, Reports

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Next meeting

- Working Meeting
 - > Summarize and compare weight of evidence related to individual war-related exposures and Gulf War illnesses
 - > Discussion of outstanding research questions and priorities
 - > Content of next RAC Report
 - > Additional topics of interest (areas not yet covered?, breaking research, status of VA research programs)

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Future Meetings

- Additional Topics
 - > Potential pathophysiological mechanisms underlying GWI; identification of objective indicators, biomarkers
 - > Effects of combinations of exposures
 - > Potentially useful information from comparison groups (Gulf War allies, local populations, nondeployed era veterans)

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Next Committee Report

Early 2006

- Circulate draft 2006 RAC Report for review and comments

Future RAC Meetings, Report

- Questions?

- Suggestions?

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