



TERRITORY OF GUAM  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AGAÑA, GUAM 96910  
U. S. A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2000-31

**RELATIVE TO CREATING A TASK FORCE TO PURSUE  
THE CONCEPT OF DEVELOPING A "MEDZONE" FOR  
GUAM, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "GUAM MEDZONE  
TASK FORCE".**

**WHEREAS**, the current health care delivery components on Guam are a composite of public and private entities, each with its own peculiarities, and which are not well integrated to share a variety of resources including facilities, personnel, funding, and access to research and outside programs; and

**WHEREAS**, providers and payors of medical services continue to struggle for funds, planning and development of clinic facilities are burdensome and uncoordinated, and the supply of technical expertise is inconsistent and unstable to meet Guam's needs; and

**WHEREAS**, in some locales, there are zones created to integrate and enhance the delivery of health care, and this concept should be explored for possible introduction into the Guam health care delivery arena; and

**WHEREAS**, a "medzone" would be a geographical zone exclusively dedicated to the industry, or business, of medical care and its delivery, and could be supported by utilizing government land as a medical industrial park; in exchange, the medzone participants would provide care to indigent, underserved, and underinsured individuals at a discounted rate; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to bring together the many individuals and existing businesses involved in health care delivery on Guam, a task force should be created to study the "medzone" concept, as it might be implemented for Guam;

**WHEREAS**, a medzone can include a wide variety of medical services and adjunct services; can include clinics, health science training centers, and even hospitals; and can attract new users such as students from Asia and our Micronesian neighbors; and can promote health tourism, as well as serve local users.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARL T.C. GUTIERREZ, I Maga'Lahen Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order:**

1. A task force is created, to be known as the "Guam Medzone Task Force", to study the concept of creating a medzone for Guam.
2. The members of the "Guam Medzone Task Force" are representatives from the following, to be selected by the Governor:
  - a) Governor's Office
  - b) Guam Memorial Hospital Authority



- c) Department of Public Health and Social Services
  - d) Guam Economic Development Authority
  - e) Division of Health Planning and Development of  
Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities
  - f) Guam Medical Society
  - g) Guam Nursing Society
  - h) Guam Community College
  - i) University of Guam
  - j) Bureau of Planning
  - k) Department of Land Management
  - l) Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority
  - m) Department of Public Works
  - n) I Liheslatura Guahan
  - o) Public-at-Large
  - p) Such other members as determined by the Governor.
3. The Guam Medzone Task Force shall study the concept of "medzone" for Guam and shall prepare a feasible plan for implementing such a concept for our island within 6 months of the effective date of this Executive Order. The plan shall include a definition of what a "medzone" is as it may be applied to Guam, a determination of the medical needs of Guam which can be satisfied through the use of this concept, a determination of appropriate locations for a medzone, a determination of an appropriate governing authority for a medzone, and a determination and search of available funds which can be used, to include federal funding, grants, guaranteed loans, and other funding.

**SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 5th day of October, 2000.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carl T. C. Gutierrez", written over a horizontal line.

**CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ**  
**I Maga'Lahen Guahan**  
**Governor of Guam**

