1 SPECIAL OPERATIONS MEDICAL GROUP



MISSION

The primary mission of the 1 Special Operations Medical Group is to provide exceptional preventive and curative health services to our war fighters and their families. The 1st Special Operations Medical Group supports the Air Force component of unified command conducting clandestine, sensitive special operations missions in response to Secretary of Defense taskings. Group delivers base medical support to over 7,600 active duty personnel and 22,000 beneficiaries. The Group also provides worldwide, forward deployed medical support operating in harsh, austere battlefield conditions during combined, joint, and service special operations missions.

The 1 Special Operations Medical Group is made up of four squadrons, the 1st Special Operations Aerospace Medicine Squadron, 1st Special Operations Dental Squadron, 1st Special Operations Medical Operations Squadron and the 1st Special Operations Medical Support Squadron.

LINEAGE

16 Medical Group established, 15 Aug 1994 Activated, 1 Oct 1994 Redesignated 1 Special Operations Medical Group, 16 Nov 2006

STATIONS

Eglin Air Force Auxiliary Airfield #9 (Hurlburt Fld), FL, 1 Oct 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

16 Special Operations Wing, 1 Oct 1994-15 Nov 2006 1 Special Operations Wing, 16 Nov 2006

COMMANDERS

Brig Gen (Dr.) Timothy T. Jex, Apr 2004-Jul 2006

HONORS
Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device 1 Jun 1997-31 May 1999 1 Jul 2003-30 Jun 2005 1 Jul 2005-30 Jun 2007 Meritorious Unit Award 1 Jul 2007-30 Jun 2009 1 Oct 2009-30 Sep 2011

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 1 Jun 1995-31 May 1997 1 Jul 1999-30 Jun 2001 1 Jul 2001-30 Jun 2003

EMBLEM

The emblem of the 1 Special Operations Medical Group is that of the 1st Special Operations Wing with the group designation in the scroll. **SIGNIFICNACE:** It is symbolic of the organization's history and mission. The blue background represents the sky and the United States Air Force. The 13 red and white stripes stand for the nation's original 13 colonies, the first American force to engage in war to defend freedom. The silver dagger is winged to indicate the 1 Special Operations Wing brings force through the air. A golden lamp of knowledge reflects the wing's civic action role and indicates that members of the 1 Special Operations Wing serve as teachers, as well as warriors, in helping our allies determine their own way of life and form of government.

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