

1st SPECIAL OPERATIONS AEROSPACE MEDICINE SQUADRON



LINEAGE

1st Special Operations Aerospace Medicine Squadron constituted, 1 May 2007
Activated, 30 May 2007

STATIONS

Eglin AF Aux Fld #9 (Hurlburt Fld), FL, 30 May 2007
Hurlburt Field, FL

ASSIGNMENTS

1st Special Operations Medical Group, 30 May 2007

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor
[30 May] 07-30 Jun 07

EMBLEM

On a disc as a globe per pale Azure and Sable, gridlined Or, per pale overall a dagger Argent (Silver Gray), hilted of the third, the pommel terminating in a Greek cross Gules, entwined by a stylized serpent Vert, eyed of the third and pupil of the second; all within a narrow border Or.

Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed “DEFENDO SALUS AD VITAM” in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed “SOAMDS” in Yellow letters.

Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The globe indicates the world-wide reach of the unit. The division of the globe into night and day hemispheres depicts service at all hours. The dagger represents the Air Force Special Operations Command. The Greek cross, also known as the "crux immissa quadrata," represents urgent medical care. The cross combined with the dagger signifies medical support of the military units. The serpent entwined around the dagger is a reference to the Rod of Aesculapius, the ancient Greek symbol associated with the healing aspect of the medical arts.

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MOTTO

DEFENDO SALUS AD VITAM--Defending Health for Life

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The 1st Special Operations Aerospace Medicine Squadron accomplishes global special operations taskings as an Air Force component member of US Special Operations Command. The unit promotes and maintains health of 8,000 active duty, reserve IMA, and civilian personnel, and 22,000 beneficiaries from 4 groups, 30 squadrons, 12 staff agencies, and 38 tenant units. Personnel ensure maximum wartime readiness via aircrew healthcare, disease prevention, wellness promotion, medical readiness, and workspace/environmental surveillance.

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Sources

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