# 88 HEALTHCARE OPERATIONS SQUADRON



## **MISSION**

## LINEAGE

74 Medical Operations Squadron constituted and activated, 1 Oct 1994 Redesignated 88 Medical Operations Squadron, 20 Oct 2004 Redesignated 88 Healthcare Operations Squadron

#### **STATIONS**

Wright Patterson AFB, OH, 1 Oct 1994

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

74 Medical Group, 1 Oct 1994 88 Medical Group

#### **COMMANDERS**

HONORS
Service Streamers

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

#### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 1 Jan-31 Dec 1995 1 Jan-31 Dec 1997 1 Jan-31 Dec 1998 1 Jan-31 Dec 2000 1 Oct 2002-30 Sep 2004 1 May 2008-30 Apr 2010 21 Jun 2010-20 Jun 2012 1 Jul 2012-20 Jun 2013 1 Aug 2013-31 Jul 2015

#### **EMBLEM**



On a disc Gules, a cross of the same fimbriated Sable winged Argent, covert ascending to chief a staff capped with a lamp of knowledge Or, entwined by a serpent Azure, langued of the second, its ventral scales and eyes of the third, all within a narrow border of the fourth. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "NEVER STOPS" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "88TH MEDICAL OPS SQ" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** 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 red background represents the universal color for medical services. The red cross signifies the blood of life and is the international symbol of medical care. The white wings of the cross symbolize purity and innocence. The yellow staff capped with a lamp of knowledge and entwined with a blue serpent represents the Staff of Aesculapius, a symbol of healing. (Approved, 23 Mar 2006)

# **MOTTO**

**Never Stops** 

**NICKNAME** 

**OPERATIONS** 

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# Sources

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