# **51 HEALTHCARE OPERATIONS SQUADRON**



### **MISSION**

### LINEAGE

51 Medical Operations Squadron constituted, 25 Aug 1994 Activated, 30 Sep 1994 Redesignated 51 Healthcare Operations Squadron, 27 Jul 2020

# **STATIONS**

Osan AB, South Korea, 30 Sep 1994

# **ASSIGNMENTS**

51 Medical Group, 30 Sep 1994

### **COMMANDERS**

### **HONORS**

**Service Streamers** 

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

**Decorations** 

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Nov 1995-31 May 1997

1 Oct 2002-30 Sep 2004

1 Oct 2007-30 Sep 2009

1 Oct 2010-30 Sep 2012

1 May 2019-1 November 2020

#### **EMBLEM**



On a disc tri-parted into a Taegeuk symbol, Azure, Gold Brown and Gules, edged Or, a cross couped of the third fimbriated of the fourth, charged with a stylized Staff of Aesculapius Argent, in dexter chief the representation of the constellation Pleiades of the last, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "51ST MEDICAL OPERATIONS SQ" in Yellow letters. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "COMBAT READY" 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. The tri-colored Taegeuk image represents the holistic, balanced and preventative approach to comprehensive health care that the unit practices. The Staff of Aesculapius symbolizes the five Corps within the Air Force Medical Service, also seen on the occupational badges. The constellation Pleiades has been known since antiquity to cultures all around the world and, according to Greek legend, if travelers consult the skies and the Pleiades are visible, all is well. The motto, "COMBAT READY," aptly describes the combat medical mission of the unit. (Approved, 25 Nov 2014)

#### **MOTTO**

#### **OPERATIONS**

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