512 AEROSPACE MEDICINE SQUADRON



MISSION

The 512th Aerospace Medicine Squadron provides medical support to the 512th Airlift Wing, optimizing healthcare, fitness, and prevention for 1,700 assigned reservists, enhancing combat response capabilities. It conducts medical examinations, obtains and evaluates medical histories, and provides primary and specialty care diagnosis and counseling as well as deploys personnel and equipment in support of worldwide wartime and humanitarian contingencies.

LINEAGE

512 Medical Group constituted, 4 Aug 1949 Activated in the Reserve, 2 Sep 1949 Ordered to Active Service, 15 Mar 1951 Inactivated, 1 Apr 1951 Activated in the Reserve, 14 Jun 1952 Redesignated 512 Tactical Hospital, 18 May 1954 Ordered to Active Service, 28 Oct 1962 Relieved from Active Duty on 28 Nov 1962 Discontinued and inactivated, on 11 Feb 1963 Redesignated 512 USAF Clinic (Associate), 18 Oct 1982 Activated in the Reserve, 1 Dec 1982 Redesignated 512 Medical Squadron, 1 Oct 1994 Redesignated 512 Aerospace Medicine Squadron, 1 Jul 2000

STATIONS

Reading Muni Aprt, PA, 2 Sep 1949 New Castle County Aprt, DE, 1 May 1950-1 Apr 1951 New Castle County Aprt, DE, 14 Jun 1952 NAS Willow Grove, PA, 20 Jul 1958-11 Feb 1963 Dover AFB, DE, 1 Dec 1982

ASSIGNMENTS

512 Troop Carrier Wing, 2 Sep 1949-1 Apr 1951
512 Troop Carrier Wing, 14 Jun 1952
512 Air Base Group, 28 Oct 1962-11 Feb 1963
512 Military Airlift (later, 512 Airlift) Wing, 1 Dec 1982
512 Medical Group, 1 Aug 1992
512 Airlift Wing, 1 Oct 1994

COMMANDERS

Col R. Poole Col Walton F. Reddish Col Clifford Zdanowicz, Jr.

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Meritorious Unit Award 1 Oct 2004-30 Sep 2005

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards 1 Jan 1988-30 Jun 1989 1 Jul 1993-30 Jun 1995 1 Sep 1996-31 Aug 1998 1 Oct 2002-30 Sep 2004 1 Oct 2008-30 Sep 2010

EMBLEM



On blue disc fimbriated yellow, a red square one point up superimposed by a yellow lozenge throughout all divided horizontally and the colors counterchanged, overall a white elongated lozenge throughout bearing a red staff entwined by a dark blue serpent, eye and tongue red; all within a narrow blue border. Attached below the disc a yellow scroll bordered blue. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Blue and yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The serpent and staff, a universal symbol for medicine, refer to the mission of the unit. The symbols on either side of the staff allude to aircraft and further symbolize the medical mission of keeping the wing physically fit to fly. The diamond shape indicates the location of the unit in Delaware, nicknamed the Diamond State. (Approved, 29 Sep 1986)

ΜΟΤΤΟ

OPERATIONS

The 512 AMDS hosted the first-ever TCCC joint-service training event during the September UTA. TCCC will eventually be replacing SABC. The deadline for implementing the program was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic and is now 30 June 2021. The DHA is also in the process of finalizing an expanded curriculum of 4 Tiers of TCCC, but until then we were able to take the TCCC-MP course from NAEMT. The course we hosted was a collaboration between Maj Franco (512 AMDS Nurse), MSgt Boley AD (436MDG), and MSgt McBride ANG (142 AES, 166 AW). AD and ANG secured funding and offered us 10 slots for the class. There were a total of 30 students (11 ANG, 10 AMDS, 9 AD). Five class members were certified as instructors (1-512 AMDS, 1-AD, 3 ANG). We contracted with a civilian company called Penn Tactical Solutions to provide us with the course as well as the instructor certification and they helped us become an authorized NAEMT training site before we can start teaching.

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Sources Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.