11 USAF CONTINGENCY HOSPITAL



MISSION

LINEAGE

11 USAF Contingency Hospital constituted, 25 Jan 1982 Activated, 1 Feb 1982 Inactivated

STATIONS

Lackland AFB, TX, 1 Feb 1982

ASSIGNMENTS

Tenth Air Force, 1 Feb 1982 301 Tactical Fighter (Later, 301 Fighter) Wing, 1 Jan 1988 433 Medical Group, 1 Aug 1992

COMMANDERS

Col Walter J. Giller Col Jan N. Ogletree, 1 Oct 1984 Col Paul T. Hansen, #1988

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM



The emblem is symbolic of the unit and its mission. Caduceus centered on a blue and red disc represents the medical mission of the unit. The stylized wings over the design allude to the unit's mobility capability. Crossed lightning bolts attest to the power and energy of the hospital staff during contingency operations. The star centered on the design divided sections of the emblem symbolize four subordinate units. The olive branches denote the peacetime mission of medical readiness. (Approved, 22 Jan 1990)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

On 23 Jan 1991, HQ USAF directed the activation of the 11th USAF Contingency Hospital for deployment to RAF Little Rissington, United Kingdom. The 11th was an Air Force Reserve unit assigned to Air Training Command. More than 350 reservists were recalled and assigned duties at Wilford Hall or with the 11th; 200 reservists deployed with 900 active duty personnel to operate the 11th Contingency Hospital.

Participation in physician reflex program (efforts to recruit and retain qualified physicians) and continuing education and enhancement program (allows staff to attend professional conferences) increased work load of administrative staff. Zenith 248 micro computer system helped increase productivity and efficiency in unit manning function and streamlined medical readiness training activities. Medical unit has no medical or dental equipment of its own. 1988

Detachment 1, 11th USAF Contingency Hospital, Carswell AFB, TX. Annual tour conducted and successfully provided an opportunity for comprehensive training. Full scale disaster exercise conducted. Col Robert Campbell, unit commander.

Detachment 2, 11th USAF Contingency Hospital, Barksdale AFB, LA. Warehouse renovated into office work area due to self-help project and support from 917th civil engineering squadron. Due to implementation of congressionally mandated medical force reduction program 89-10, detachment 2 lost 22 slots. Self-inspection performed and triage exercise conducted. Continuing medical readiness training day held. Monthly unit training assemblies conducted. Col Clarence M. Bice, commander. 1988

The 11th USAF Contingency Hospital dedicated their new facility, Hansen Hall in honor of the unit's former commander, Colonel (Dr.) Paul T. Hansen. Major General (Dr.) Walter J. Giller Jr. paid tribute to Hansen during the dedication of the building, located next to Wilford Hall Medical Center and housing the 11th training and administrative facilities. General Giller was the individual mobilization augmentee to the Air Force Surgeon General and the Contingency Hospitals first commander. "Col Hansen was a man of great courage and compassion," said General Giller, "who brought a spirit of dedication and ability to the Contingency Hospital." Hansen served as the hospital's commander from August 1987 until he died on 13 January 1991, just days before the 11th was called to active duty in support of the Persian Gulf War. His active duty and reserve career before his command of the 11th included tours in Vietnam, Patrick AFB, Florida and Headquarters, 10th Air Force, Bergstrom AFB, Texas.

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