

42 MEDICAL SERVICE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

42 Casualty Staging Squadron constituted, 18 Feb 1959

Activated in the Reserve, 8 Apr 1959

Redesignated 42 Medical Service Squadron, 8 Oct 1964

STATIONS

Ft. Rosecrans, CA, 8 Apr 1959

Norton AFB, CA, 8 Oct 1964

ASSIGNMENTS

2639 Air Reserve Center, 8 Apr 1959

2478 Air Force Reserve Sector, 1 Jul 1961

Sixth Air Force Reserve Region, 1 Jul 1965;

Western Air Force Reserve Region, 31 Dec 1969

445 Military Airlift wing (Associate), 8 Oct 1976

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jan-31 Dec 1981

1 Sep 1985-31 Aug 1987

EMBLEM

A disc with a narrow gold border above a white scroll edged with gold, the disc blazoned as follows: Azure, between two pairs of wings conjoined in leure those in chief inverted argent surmounted by a cross throughout or, a plate bearing a cross throughout sanguine surmounted by the rod of Aesculapius staff gold serpent of the first. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and golden yellow are the Air Force colors. The white disc with the dark red cross surmounted by the rod of Aesculapius stands for the 42d Medical Service Squadron. The horizontal and vertical arms of the cross extending over the blue area represent a line of latitude and of longitude; they allude to the globe and to the receiving of casualties by the Casualty Staging Unit from all over the world. The wings stand for aircraft and the airmen served by the Squadron. In addition, the four arms of the cross and the two pairs of wings allude to the Squadron's numerical designation. (Approved, 13 Aug 1968)

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OPERATIONS

USAF UNIT HISTORIES

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Sources

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