

## 9 OPERATIONAL MEDICAL READINESS SQUADRON



### MISSION

### LINEAGE

9 Aerospace Medicine Squadron constituted, 26 Aug 1994  
Activated, 1 Sep 1994  
Inactivated, 1 Jul 1997  
Activated, 13 Oct 2008  
Redesignated 9 Operational Medical Readiness Squadron, 1 Aug 2019

### STATIONS

Beale AFB, CA, 1 Sep 1994-1 Jul 1997  
Beale AFB, CA, 13 Oct 2008

### ASSIGNMENTS

9 Medical Group, 1 Sep 1994-1 Jul 1997  
9 Medical Group, 13 Oct 2008

### COMMANDERS

Lt Col Kelly West, 2008-2011  
Col Brian Agee, Jan 2012

### HONORS

**Service Streamers**

## Campaign Streamers

### Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

#### Decorations

Meritorious Unit Awards

1 Jun 2009-31 May 2011

1 Jun 2013-31 May 2014

1 Jun 2016-31 May 2017

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

[1 Sep] 1994-30 Jun 1995

1 Jun 2007-31 May 2009

1 Jun 2011-31 May 2012

1 Jun 2014-31 May 2015

1 Jun 2015-31 May 2016

#### EMBLEM



On a disc Azure (Graphite Blue), issuant from base a demi-globe Azure (Ultramarine Blue), land mass Brunn, horizon Argent, in chief an array of nine mullets of the last, overall a Rod of Asclepius Or, detailed Sable, highlighted of the fourth, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "SUPER ET PRAETER" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "9 AMDS" 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 nine stars symbolize the 9 RW/MDG/AMDS. The Rod of Asclepius represents the physiologic and aeromedical challenges inherent in the mission the unit supports. The horizon between the sky and earth is a

representation of how the atmosphere appears from high altitude, along with the figurative representation of the “thin line” that protects members of the Squadron. The Latin motto, “SUPER ET PRAETER,” translates to “Above and Beyond” in English and represents the nature of high-altitude ISR missions the unit supports, as well as the service the Squadron aspires to deliver. (Approved, 17 May 2013)

#### **MOTTO**

SUPER ET PRAETER--Above and Beyond

#### **OPERATIONS**

The 9 Aerospace Medicine Squadron maintains the capability to support the 9th Reconnaissance Wing ISR mission by keeping Beale Airmen healthy, fit, and ready for global operations. It provides comprehensive flight medicine, dental and optometric care to treat and prevent disease. 9 AMDS personnel ensure safe workplaces, food, water, and facilities for 10,000 workers and beneficiaries. They promote wellness and delivers health education to the Beale community. Lastly, 9 AMDS provides highly trained, motivated medics for world-wide contingency operations. There are 74 active duty, civilian and contract members assigned to 9 AMDS. The unit consists of six primary functions: Flight Medicine, Public Health, Bioenvironmental Engineering, Dental, Optometry and the Health and Wellness Center.

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#### Sources

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