

97th MEDICAL OPERATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

The squadron consists of 21 officers, 54 enlisted members and 27 civilian health care professionals. The squadron is made up of four flights:

The Medical Operations Squadron has oversight over Aerospace and Operational Medicine Flight, Clinical Operations Flight, Dental Flight and Mental Health Flight.

Aerospace and Operational Medicine Flight is responsible for aircrew health and many base services. Aircrew medical care is provided through the Flight Medicine Clinic. The Human Performance Training Team provides physiological and human performance enhancement-tailored training, preparing aircrews to handle the physiological stresses of flight and human performance threats by developing and enhancing Operational Risk Management, situational awareness and safety programs. The Optometry Clinic provides services to both active duty and dependents. The Public Health element and Bioenvironmental Engineering element together assure medical readiness for deployers, occupational health and safety for base employees (including many civilians) and surveillance of the environment, utilities and illness for the entire base population. The Health and Wellness Center promotes healthy lifestyles while managing the base fitness "intervention" programs and providing patient education.

Clinical Operations Flight provides the majority of primary care in the medical group. Individual clinics are Family Health, Pediatrics, and Immunizations. Nearly 5.1K TRICARE enrolled beneficiaries receive primary care and other services to include minor procedures and routine preventative care.

Mental Health Flight provides assessment, treatment and education on a wide range of psychological and emotional issues. This flight also manages the Family Advocacy Program as well

as the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program and the Drug Demand Reduction Program All programs provide a myriad of outreach services to assist Team Altus members in improving resiliency and coping skills.

Dental Flight provides timely, quality dental care to active duty members, ensuring the maximum number are world-wide qualified and mission ready at all times. Various dental services are provided ranging from preventive dentistry to comprehensive care including endodontics, prosthodontics, operative dentistry and oral surgery.

LINEAGE

97th Medical Operations Squadron activated, 14 Oct 1994

Inactivated, 12 Feb 2007

Activated, 17 Aug 2007

STATIONS

Altus AFB, OK, 14 Oct 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

97th Medical Group

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jul 1993 – 30 Jun 1994

1 Jul 1995-30 Jun 1996

1 Jul 1996-30 Jun 1998

1 Jul 1998–30 Jun 1999

1 Jul 1999–30 Jun 2000

1 Jul 2000-30 Jun 2002

1 Jul 2002-30 Jun 2004

1 Jul 2002-30 Jun 2004

1 Jul 2004–30 Jun 2006

1 Jul 2006–30 Jun 2007

1 Jul 2007-30 Jun 2008

1 Jul 2008-30 Jun 2009

1 Jul 2009-30 Jun 2010

1 Jul 2010-30 Jun 2011

1 Jul 2011-30 Jun 2012

EMBLEM

Azure, a hurt (Celeste) charged with a facsimile of Leonardo da Vinci's drawing, "The Vitruvian Man" of the field outside Sable overall a caduceus staff as a flament spear point to base Or flames Proper serpents and wings Argent; all within a diminished bordure Yellow. Attached above the disc a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "97thMedical Operations SQ" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "NON SIBI SED OMNIBUS" in Yellow letters. Blue and 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 "Vitruvian Man" symbolizes man in his human condition. The caduceus represents medicine and the art of healing and also signifies the unit's dedication to serve the medical needs of the Air Force family and humanitarian responses where needed. The flaming spear, as part of the caduceus, reflects the Squadron's medical support to its parent organization. (Approved, 19 Aug 1998)

MOTTO

NON SIBI SED OMNIBUS--Not For Self but For All

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OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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