



**The Surgeon General of the Army
Message to the Army Medicine Team**

I am humbled and honored to serve as your 45th Surgeon General of the Army. During the past four years, Army Medicine has honed its focus on readiness to support our Army. Increased readiness to provide care for our Soldiers on the battlefield and in the medical center will remain our highest priority. We will continue to enhance our skills and technologies to meet the changing environment. Change creates new opportunities. We will seize these opportunities as we lead Army Medicine through our transformation. Leaders will create unified effort, leading change from the front, as we continue to make a difference.

To build to a more expeditionary and effective medical force, Army Medicine must be ready, reformed, reorganized, responsive, and relevant in order to provide expeditionary, tailored, medically ready and ready medical forces to support the Army and Joint Force mission to deploy, fight and win decisively against any adversary, anytime and anywhere.

Ready: Taking care of people, our Soldiers, and our Families is the core of our readiness. Army Medicine will maintain individual, unit and equipment readiness. Units will conduct high-intensity, mission-focused training, maintain capable and reliable equipment and develop competent leaders of character. Army Medicine readiness directly enables a more lethal force.

Reformed: Army Medicine reforms as mandated from Congress through NDAA FY17 and beyond as part of the larger Military Health System Transition.

Reorganized: Army Medicine effectively and efficiently reorganizes, in accordance with the reform requirements and Army Senior Leader Directives, in order to remain nested with Army modernization.

Responsive: Army Medicine becomes more tailored and expeditionary through reorganization, able to support multi-domain operations with Army Health Systems synchronized across the battlefield.

Relevant: Army Medicine must change at the speed of relevance. Relevance involves modernization of key capabilities, innovation of operational concepts, advancement of technology and integration with Interagency. Expanded alliances and partnerships with deepened interoperability are also necessary to meet the shared challenges of our time.

With utmost confidence, I know that with the right leadership, the proper focus, sufficient resources and unified effort, Army Medicine will continue to support the world's premier fighting force, and serve the Nation well for decades to come. I am proud to serve alongside the Nation's best. Thank you for what you do on a daily basis to serve Army Medicine, our Army and our Nation.

Army Medicine! One Team...One Purpose! Conserving the Fighting Strength since 1775!



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