

**UNITED STATES ARMY
MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE**



***Change of Command Ceremony
20 June 2024
1000 hours***

Fort George G. Meade, Maryland

Heartbeat of the Chesapeake.... Excellence in Health!

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

MISSION

We are dedicated to providing ready medical forces that enable health service support and force health protection across the Fort Meade MEDDAC AOR to sustain the readiness of the Joint Force and our beneficiaries.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

WELCOME

ARRIVAL OF
OFFICIAL PARTY

RUFFLES AND
FLOURISHES

INVOCATION
CHAPLAIN (COLONEL)
KEITH GOODE

NATIONAL
ANTHEM
SGT SAMUEL O.
OMOJOLA
SPC KAIRE O. HENRY

CHANGE OF
COMMAND

HOST REMARKS
BRIGADIER
GENERAL
LANCE C. RANEY

REMARKS
BRIGADIER
GENERAL
DEYDRE S. TEYHEN

OUTGOING
REMARKS
COLONEL
JAMES C. MAKER

INCOMING
REMARKS
COLONEL
DARRYL M. METCALF

THE ARMY SONG

RECEIVING LINE

RECEPTION



BRIGADIER GENERAL LANCE C. RANEY
COMMANDING GENERAL
MEDICAL READINESS COMMAND, EAST

U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Lance Raney is the Commanding General, Medical Readiness Command, East, and Director, Defense Health Network East, Defense Health Agency.

BG Raney is a native of Texarkana, Texas. He attended Ouachita University and the University of Arkansas School of Medicine and was commissioned as a U.S. Army Medical Corps officer in 1993.

He completed a residency in Family Medicine at Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia. BG Raney holds a Doctor of Medicine and a Master's in Strategic Studies. He is also board certified by the America Board of Family Medicine.

After completing residency, BG Raney served in a variety of medical staff, clinic chief, and department chief positions at Reynolds Army Community Hospital, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and Ireland Army Community Hospital, Fort Knox, Kentucky. From 2003-2006, he served as the Brigade Surgeon for the 172nd Infantry Brigade, Fort Wainwright, Alaska, and deployed to Iraq in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. Upon completing Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, he returned to Fort Knox, Kentucky, as the Deputy Commander for Clinical Services. In 2010 he was assigned to Heidelberg, Germany, serving as the hospital's Deputy Commander and the Chief of Clinical Operations for the U.S. Army Europe Region Medical Command.

BG Raney commanded Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center, Fort Huachuca, Arizona, from 2013 to 2015 and Womack Army Medical Center, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, from 2016 to 2018. Strategic staff assignments include Chief of Consultants to the Army Surgeon General, U.S. Army Central Command Surgeon, clinical operations chief for the Office of the Secretary of Defense COVID Testing and Diagnostics Task Force, the Army Liaison Officer for Military Health System Governance and Reform, and the FORSCOM Command Surgeon.

BG Raney is the recipient of the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Staff Badge and the Army Combat Medical Badge.

COLONEL JAMES “CHRIS” MAKER
OUTGOING COMMANDER
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE U.S. ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY



COL James “Chris” Maker is a native of Tampa, FL. He graduated in May 1999 from the University of South Florida and was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the Medical Service Corps.

His company grade assignments include ambulance and treatment platoon leader, C Co. 261st Area Support Medical Support Medical Battalion, medical platoon leader, 2nd BN 504th Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Executive Officer for the 274th Forward Surgical Team, and Medical Operations officer, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment.

His command assignments include CO, Company C., 407th Forward Support Battalion (2nd BCT, 82nd Airborne Division), Battalion Commander, 56th Multifunctional Medical BN (62nd Medical Brigade), and culminating as the Fort George G. Meade ‘Chesapeake’ Commander and Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center Director (Medical Readiness Command-East and the Defense Health Network – National Capitol Region).

COL Maker’s other assignments include Joint Readiness Training Center BCT Staff and Medical Company O/C, 1st Medical Brigade Chief of Current Operations, 21st Combat Support Hospital Executive Officer, U.S. Army Africa (SETAF-AF) Medical Operations Division Chief, 62nd Medical Brigade executive officer, and Army Fellow to the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services.

COL Maker has deployed in support of Operations Spartan Shield, Enduring Freedom, and twice in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He has supported Theater Security Cooperation missions in multiple countries within sub-Saharan Africa and most recently deployed in support of the National COVID-19 Pandemic Response.

His awards include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal for Service (2OLC); Meritorious Service Medal (6OLC); Joint Service Commendation Medal; Army Commendation Medal (4 OLC); Army Achievement Medal (1OLC); National Defense Service Medal; Iraq Campaign Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medals, and the NATO medal. His badges include the Combat Medical Badge; Expert Field Medical Badge; Master Parachutist Badge, and the German Parachutist Badge. COL Maker is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit and is a CPT John R. Teal Leadership Award recipient. He holds a Master’s of Science from San Diego State University.

COL Maker is a graduate of the Army Medical Officer Basic Course, Combined Logistics Captain’s Career Course, Command and General Staff College, and the US Army War College.

He is married to his lovely wife Alison. They have two sons, Riley and Gavin.

COLONEL DARRYL M. METCALF
INCOMING COMMANDER
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE U.S. ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY



COL Darryl M. Metcalf was appointed the Patient Administration Consultant to the Army Surgeon General on 15 April 2022.

He volunteered for military service as an Armor Crewman in 1995, serving with the 2nd Infantry Division and The U.S. Army Armor School before being selected for a Green to Gold Scholarship in 1997.

COL Metcalf earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Missouri and commissioned as the Distinguished Military Graduate in 2000. He holds a Master of Science Degree from The University of Oklahoma and a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

COL Metcalf's most recently served as the Branch Proponent Officer in the Office of the Chief of the Medical Service Corps. Prior to that he served as the Chief of Patient Administration at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. Previous assignments include: G-3/5/7 for the Medical Research and Development Command; Commander of the United States Army Center for Environmental Health Research; Chief, Managed Care and Patient Administration, Regional Health Command Europe; Research Fellow with the RAND Corporation; Director, Patient Administration, Fort Belvoir Community Hospital; and Executive Officer of the Performance Triad Task Force at the Office of the Surgeon General.

COL Metcalf's formative assignments include: Combat Developer, Directorate of Combat and Doctrine Development; Chief, Clinical Operations, Landstuhl Regional Medical Center; Chief, Operations, 212th Combat Support Hospital; Chief, Patient Administration, Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Clinic; Company Commander, USA MEDDAC, Wurzburg, DE; Medical Regulating Officer, 67th Combat Support Hospital; Executive Officer, C Company, 526th Forward Support Battalion, 101st Airborne Division, and Medical Platoon Leader, 2/502nd Infantry Battalion, 101st Airborne Division.

His combat and operational assignments include: Operation New Dawn as the Theater Medical Regulating Officer for Task Force 47 MED; Operation Iraqi Freedom as the Chief, Patient Administration, 28th Combat Support Hospital; and Operation Joint Guard (KFOR) as the Medical Platoon Leader with 2/502nd Infantry Battalion.

His awards, decorations, and honors include the Bronze Star Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, The National Defense Service Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Ribbon, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, and the NATO Kosovo Medal. He has earned the Expert Field Medical Badge, the Air Assault Badge and is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit.

COL Metcalf's professional military education includes the AMEDD Officer Basic Course, AMEDD Officer Advanced Course, the Joint Medical Planners Course, the Command and General Staff College (ILE), the Medical Strategic Leaders Program and the U.S. Army War College.

He is married to the former Caitlin Potratz of Austin, Texas, and he has two children, Kieran and Kaia.

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY HISTORY

The United States Army Medical Department Activity (MEDDAC), Fort George G. Meade, has a rich and proud history.

Our roots extend back to Camp Meade Hospital, which organized in July 1917 as part of the original post. Consisting of temporary wooden buildings and tents, Camp Meade Hospital was located along what is now Rock Avenue, approximately one-half mile south of the present-day Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center.

In 1930, Camp Meade Hospital moved to building 4411 on Llewellyn Avenue, presently occupied by the U.S. Army Claims Service Public Health Command-North. The building accommodated 80 patients and the outpatient services required by the Camp's personnel and their dependents.



James C. Kimbrough
(1887-1956)

With the outbreak of WWII, construction began immediately on a cantonment hospital with 545 beds on the northern portion of Fort Meade, where Meade High School is currently located, and the Fort Meade Station Hospital services moved to their new temporary structures in April 1942. During the war, building 4411 became an induction station and after the war an outpatient services annex for the Fort Meade Hospital until 1972.

The U.S. Army Hospital at Fort Meade organized on 6 July 1950 as a subordinate to Second U.S. Army.

On 29 July 1961, the U.S. Kimbrough Army Hospital constructed as a 145-bed acute care Community Hospital was dedicated in honor of Colonel James

C. Kimbrough, the "Father of U.S. Army Urology" and a veteran of both world wars. The cantonment hospital closed except for five buildings used as warehouses for the installation's medical supplies and administrative areas and classrooms for other installation activities.

On 1 April 1968, the U.S. Kimbrough Army Hospital transferred to First U.S. Army. During that same year, on 1 September, the U.S. Army Dispensary and Dental Clinic, Fort Detrick, was organized and assigned to the U.S. Kimbrough Army Hospital.

On 5 November 1969, the U.S. Kimbrough Army Hospital redesignated and reorganized as the U.S. Army Medical Department Activity (USA MEDDAC), Fort George G. Meade.

In 1971, a 9-bed Intensive Care and Coronary Care Unit was added and in 1972, a 44,000-square foot clinical area was added, replacing the old hospital annex in building 4411.

On 1 July 1973, the MEDDAC transferred to the U.S. Army Health Services Command, which was redesignated as the U.S. Army Medical Command in 1994.

On 13 August 1978, the MEDDAC reorganized, and its strength increased from 550 to 982. That same year, the MEDDAC acquired several U.S. Army Health Clinics (USAHCs): Kirk USAHC (formerly U.S. Army MEDDAC, Aberdeen Proving Ground), Dunham USAHC (formerly U.S. Army MEDDAC, Carlisle Barracks), Fort Ritchie USAHC, Fort Indiantown Gap USAHC, Letterkenny USAHC, New Cumberland USAHC, and Tobyhanna USAHC.

Because of the 1995 Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC) Act, several major changes occurred within the MEDDAC's structure: First, the U.S. Kimbrough Army Hospital was downgraded to an outpatient facility. As a result, Kimbrough closed its emergency room on 30 June and unofficially became Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center (KACC) on 1 July. The U.S. Kimbrough Army Hospital officially discontinued as an organization on 1 October 1996 and KACC was officially established. Secondly, Fort Ritchie USAHC closed and ceased operations on 31 August 1998 and the clinic's staff transferred to Fort Detrick. Fort Ritchie USAHC inactivated on 1 October 1998, along with the rest of the installation activities.

On 18 February 2000, as it transitioned into its newly constructed facility, Fort Detrick USAHC became Barquist USAHC. Later that same year, Tobyhanna USAHC transferred to West Point USA MEDDAC.

On 5 September 2007, the Warrior Transition Unit, Alpha Company, KACC, was established.

Because of the 2005 BRAC decision, in October 2010, the MEDDAC acquired Andrew Rader and Fort McNair USAHCs located at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Fort Myer, VA. In addition, in September 2011, the MEDDAC assumed command and control of the U.S. Army Centralized Allergen Extract Laboratory and became responsible for the operating expenses associated with the Northern Regional Medical Command's (NRMC) Tele-Health Activity, when Walter Reed Army Medical Center closed.

Today, the Fort Meade MEDDAC is subordinate to the Medical Readiness Command, East (MRC, East) and is a partner in the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC) Health Care System and National Capital Region Multi-Service Market. The MEDDAC is responsible for providing medical and environmental services for active duty and retired military personnel and their families, as well as occupational health services to civilian employees within the MEDDAC's extensive area of responsibility throughout Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania.

The Army Song



The Army Song

March Along, Sing Our Song,
With The Army Of The Free
Count The Brave, Count The True,
Who Have Fought To Victory
We're The Army And Proud Of Our Name
We're The Army And Proudly Proclaim

First To Fight For The Right,
And To Build The Nation's Might,
And The Army Goes Rolling Along
Proud Of All We Have Done,
Fighting Till The Battle's Won,
And The Army Goes Rolling Along.

Then It's Hi! Hi! Hey!
The Army's On Its Way.
Count Off The Cadence Loud And Strong
(Two! Three!)
For Where E'er We Go,
You Will Always Know
That The Army Goes Rolling Along.