

JUNE 16 – 22, 2025

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JUN 13 - JUL 27



June 17, 1775

Dr. Joseph Warren, a Founding Father of the United States, is killed at the Battle of Bunker (or Breed's) Hill.

FEATURE



June 18, 1965

The Department of the Army approved the Expert Field Medical Badge (EFMB) as a special skill award for recognition of exceptional competence and outstanding performance by field medical personnel.



June 19, 1947

COL Florence Blanchfield, Army Nurse Corps, receives army serial number N-1 and thus became the first nurse to hold a permanent commission in the U.S. Army, presented to her by GEN Dwight D. Eisenhower

WEEK IN REVIEW

June 16, 1944

The 67th Evacuation Hospital (Semi-Mobile) departs England for France to support invasion forces on the continent.

June 20, 1930

The Act for the Relief of Florence Grace Pond Whitehill is passed which authorizes the retirement of Army and Navy Nurse Corps members for physical disabilities incurred in line of duty. Specifically, this act, according to the U.S. Government Accountability Office, allowed nurses who served during World War I and continued service until May 13, 1926, to apply for retirement if they were separated due to a physical disability incurred in the line of duty before June 20, 1930.

June 21, 2000

James Okubo, a combat medic, is posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor 55 years after his actions during World War II.

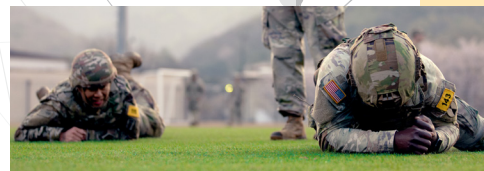
June 22, 1944

Public Law 350 (78th Congress) grants nurses temporary commissions, with full pay and privileges from 2LT to COL. This temporary commission was intended to be in effect during World War II and for six months after the emergency was declared over. The law also established the Army Nurse Corps Section of the Officers' Reserve Corps.

250TH U.S. ARMY MEDICINE EVENTS

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| July 25 | Joint Base San Antonio Tour & Cake Cutting |
| July 26 | Joint Base San Antonio PT run with The Surgeon General |
| | Joint Base San Antonio Dining Out |
| July 28 | DHHQ Cake Cutting |
| July 30 | Twilight Tattoo (Fort Myer) |

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FEATURE - EXPERT FIELD MEDICAL BADGE (EFMB)

The EFMB is one of the toughest and most highly sought-after U.S. Army special skill badges. Of the many Soldiers that compete for the badge annually, few successfully obtain the prestigious award. The EFMB test is the utmost challenge to the professional competence and physical endurance of the Soldier medic. It is the most sought after peacetime award in the AMEDD, and while the Combat Medical Badge is the "portrait of courage" in wartime, the Expert Field Medical Badge is undoubtedly the "portrait of excellence" in the Army all of the time.

Personnel eligible to earn the EFMB include all officers assigned or detailed to an AMEDD Corps, Army officers in training at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Army officers enrolled in the Health Professions Scholarship Program, Warrant Officers who have an AMEDD primary military occupational specialty (MOS) controlled by the Surgeon General, Warrant Officer pilots that have a special qualification identifier "D" (Aeromedical Evacuation Pilot) and are assigned to an air ambulance unit, and Enlisted personnel who have an MOS in the 68- Career Management Field (CMF) as well as an AMEDD primary MOS, MOS18D, 38W, 38ZW4.

EFMB Events

- Written Test
- Physical Fitness Assessment
- Land Navigation
- Testing Lanes
 - Evacuation Lane - Station Testing
 - Tactical Combat Casualty Care Lane - Scenario Based Lane
 - Warrior Skills Lane (Combined Tasks with Expert Infantryman Badge and Expert Soldier Badge) - Station Testing
- 12-Mile Forced March and Final Event

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