

Career Summary
CAPT Robert E. (Bob) Mansell, MS, PT

CAPT Mansell has proudly served his country in The United States Public Health Service for 30 years. CAPT Mansell began his career with the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps in September 1968 as a staff physical therapist at the USPHS Outpatient Clinic in New York City. There after he transferred to San Francisco (1970-1974), providing excellent patient care while developing protocols for Musculo-skeletal screening for physical therapists as the primary providers of musculo-skeletal trauma. He was selected in 1974 to go to the Medical College of Virginia for postgraduate training and earned a Master's of Science degree. Upon graduation he transferred to the Washington DC Out Patient Clinic, where he was promoted to The Chief Therapist position and served the division until 1981.

From 1981 through December 1991, CAPT Mansell continued his outstanding career with the Food and Drug Administration in the Center for Devices and Radiological Health. During this time he gained invaluable experience and increasing levels of responsibility in four different offices within the agency. At the conclusion of his tour with the FDA and initial retirement from the Commissioned Corps, CAPT Mansell served as Director of the Department of Practice for the American Physical Therapy Association in Alexandria, Virginia for four (04) years.

In July of 1996, CAPT Mansell was recalled to active duty as the Chief Therapist for Bureau of Prisons as well as Chief, Department of Physical Therapy at the FMC Carswell, Fort Worth, Texas. His extensive knowledge has earned him the respect that he so well deserves within the Bureau of Prisons where he served as the spokesperson and professional representative of the Therapist Category. He has been instrumental in improving the quality of care in several programs i.e., Health Promotion and Disease Prevention and the management of chronic pain using a multidisciplinary approach.

CAPT Mansell served as the Chief Professional Officer for the USPHS Therapist Category for two years - 1990 and 1991.

In addition to a full career, CAPT Mansell has published various articles in professional journals. The articles published were: "Evaluation of Hubbard Tank Disinfectants" September 1973 and "Disinfecting Hydrotherapy Equipment" July 1974 in the Archive of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. "Team Approach: A Necessity for Treating Young Athletes" August 1980 in the Journal of Orthopedic and Sports Physical Therapy.

CAPT Mansell has earned following awards:

- * The USPHS: PHS Commendation Medal,
- * The USPHS: PHS Citation (x 6)
- * The USPHS: Outstanding Unit Citation (x 3)
- * The USPHS Unit Commendations (x 5)

CAPT Robert Mansell has dedicated his life and career to the care of patients and serving his fellow officers in the United States Public Health Service. Having given his country 30 years of outstanding service, CAPT Mansell has contributed immensely to the better health of this Nation. With his commitment and dedication to duty, he has brought honor not only to himself and the Therapist Category, but also to the Commissioned Corps in the highest tradition of the United States Public Health Service.