



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

2300 E STREET NW

WASHINGTON DC 20372-5300

IN REPLY REFER TO

1500

Ser M00/UN093000730

9 Aug 10

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, NAVY MEDICINE EAST
COMMANDER, NAVY MEDICINE WEST
COMMANDER, NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA
COMMANDER, NAVY MEDICINE SUPPORT COMMAND

Subj: PRE-DEPLOYMENT TRAUMA TRAINING FOR DEPLOYING NAVY MEDICAL
DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Encl: (1) Pre-Deployment Trauma Training Matrix (PDTTM) for Deploying Navy Medical
Department Personnel

1. Trauma care requires specialized skills not routinely practiced by the majority of our medical providers in our medical treatment facilities. Training courses designed to train personnel in the latest and best practices have been developed and older courses have been updated to promulgate best practices and techniques to save life and limb in the combat theater. It is important that we ensure that deploying personnel receive this training prior to deployment and that skills once achieved be maintained.

2. Enclosure (1), the PDTTM, identifies both mandatory and recommended training. Mandatory training shall be completed prior to deployment. The Surgeon General (or his designated representative) may waive mandatory training on a case-by-case basis for those individuals whose recent combat experience or recent comparable training is such that special trauma training is not required. The requirements of this policy do not replace, but supplement or reinforce other requirements for pre-deployment training.

3. Commanding Officers are responsible for ensuring that personnel deployed from their commands have received mandatory training. Training identified as not mandatory, but strongly recommended, shall be supported to the fullest extent possible.

A. M. Robinson, Jr.

A. M. ROBINSON, JR.

Copy to:
COMUSFLTFORCOM
USMC HQ (Health Services)

Pre-Deployment Health Services Training for Deploying Navy Medical Department Personnel

Physician	Level of Care	Course	Duration & Location	Timing	Requirement	Special Information/ Comments
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	C4	9 days DMRTI	Once in Career, preferably within 2 years of accession	Mandatory	-May waive with SG* approval for equivalent training or experience
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS)	2 - 2.5 days Multiple sites	6-8 months prior to deployment; surgeons should be current at all times (q 4 years)	Mandatory	Current in ATLS through the deployment
ALL	FRC / TH	Navy Trauma Training Center (NTTC)	21 days LAC/USC Los Angeles, CA	6-8 Months prior to deployment	Strongly Recommended, particularly for non-surgeon physicians	This training meets requirement for Emergency War Surgery Course for surgeons
Surgeons	FRC / TH	Emergency War Surgery Course	3 days DMRTI	Every 3 years for general surgeons; 6-8 months prior to deployment for others	Mandatory for all surgical specialists	-May substitute JFCTMC or NTTC for this training -Other equivalent training with SG approval -SG can waive requirement with recent trauma experience
Orthopedic Surgeons	FRC / TH	Combat Extremity Surgery Course	1-3 days Courses offered at Society of Military Orthopedic Surgeons Annual Meeting and 2-3 courses/year in Miami	Current Orthopedic surgeons: Every 3 years New Orthopedic surgeons: within their 1 st year	Mandatory for Orthopedic Surgeons	Orthopedic surgeons only. SG can waive with recent trauma experience

Pre-Deployment Health Services Training for Deploying Navy Medical Department Personnel

NURSE	Level of Care	Course	Duration & Location	Timing	Requirement	Special Information/ Comments
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	C4	9 days DMRTI	Once in Career, preferably within 2 years of accession	Mandatory	May waive with SG approval if member has equivalent training or experience
ALL	FRC / TH	TNCC / ATNS	2.5 days Multiple sites	TNCC or ATNS every 4 yrs All nurses	Mandatory	Current in ATLS through the deployment
ALL	FRC / TH	Emergency Nursing Pediatrics Course (ENPC)	DMRTI (Civilian Franchisee Course) 3 Days	6-8 months prior to deployment	Strongly Recommended	
1960 and 1945	ERC	-Joint En Route Care Course (JECC) -N7/N9 Course -26-H NOMI En Route Care (NERC)	2 weeks FT. Rucker, AL -One day Aviation Survival Training Centers - (ASTC) -3.5 Days	6-8 months prior to deployment	Mandatory for ERC Billet Highly recommended for all other 1960s and 1945s	ERC Nurse must be weapons qualified ERC Nurse must be 1960 or 1945, do not substitute med-surg nurse
ALL	FRC / TH	Navy Trauma Training Center (NTTC)	21 days LAC/USC, Los Angeles, CA	6-8 months prior to deployment	Strongly recommended	
ALL	FRC / TH	Advanced Burn Life Support (ABLS)	1 day DMRTI	-6-8 months prior to deployment	Strongly recommended	

Pre-Deployment Health Services Training for Deploying Navy Medical Department Personnel

Physician Assistant	Level of Care	Course	Duration & Location	Timing	Requirement	Special Information/ Comments
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	C4	9 days DMRTI	Once in Career, preferably within 2 years of accession	Mandatory	May waive with SG approval if member has received equivalent training
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	ATLS	3 days Multiple sites	6-8 Months prior to deployment	Mandatory	Current in ATLS through the deployment
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	TCCC	3 days Multiple sites	6-8 Months prior to deployment	Mandatory	
ALL	FRC / TH	Navy Trauma Training Center (NTTC)	21-days LAC/USC, Los Angeles, CA	6-8 Months prior to deployment	Strongly Recommended	
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	Advanced Burn Life Support (ABLS)	1 day DMTRI	6-8 months prior to deployment	Strongly recommended	

Pre-Deployment Health Services Training for Deploying Navy Medical Department Personnel

Corpsman	Level of Care	Course	Duration & Location	Timing	Requirement	Special Information/ Comments
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	TCCC	3 days	Within 180 days of deployment	Mandatory	BUMED Requirement Live Tissue Training Recommended!
ALL	EFC-FR FRC (USMC)	-Field Medical Service Technician (FMST) NECC -8404 (Green)	8 weeks Field Medical Training Battalion Camp Pendleton / Camp Lejeune	Once in Career, preferably within 2 years of accession	Mandatory for assignment with Marines Strongly Recommended for all others	
ALL	EFC-FR FRC TH	Navy Trauma Training Center (NTTC)	21 days LAC/USC, Los Angeles, CA	6-8 Months prior to Deployment	Mandatory for assignment with Marines Strongly Recommended for all others	

*SG may appoint a representative to adjudicate whether prior training or experience meets requirement.

Joint Taxonomy of Care (previously echelons of care)

Emergency Forward Care - First Responder (EFC - FR) - Level I
 Forward Resuscitative Care (FRC) - Level II
 Theater Hospitalization (TH) - Level III
 En Route Care (ERC)