



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL CHRISTOPHER M. GRUSSENDORF

Colonel (Dr.) Christopher M. Grussendorf is the Command Surgeon, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas. He leads a staff of military and civilian healthcare experts providing strategic planning, policy assessment, and resource management for AETC's 13 medical treatment facilities employing in excess of 10,000 individuals serving more than 500,000 beneficiaries. He advises the AETC Commander on all health-related matters, including the transition into the Defense Health Agency. Colonel Grussendorf also allocates and plans for the use of combined operations and maintenance, military personnel, and TRICARE contracts totaling more than \$6 billion. He is responsible to the AETC Commander and the Air Force Surgeon General for the education and training of Air Force personnel in all medical career fields.

Colonel Grussendorf previously served as Commander, 10th Medical Group, Command Surgeon, United States Air Force Academy; and as the Director and Deputy Director of the Colorado Military Health System Market (Defense Health Agency). Colonel Grussendorf is a native of Virginia Beach, Virginia. He attended Mary Washington College in Virginia where he earned his Bachelor of Science of Biology degree. He attended the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine and earned his Doctor of Medicine degree. He was commissioned in the Air Force during his Family Medicine residency program. His first active-duty assignment following medical training was at Little Rock AFB, Arkansas where he served as a family physician and flight surgeon. He attended the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health where he served as Chief Resident in Occupational and Environmental Medicine and earned his Master of Public Health degree. He completed a second residency in Occupational and Environmental Medicine, and is dual board certified. He served as Occupational Medicine Consultant at Edwards AFB, CA. Colonel Grussendorf later served as the Chief of the Medical Staff and Deputy Medical Group Commander for the 23d Medical Group, Moody AFB, Georgia; as the 78th Aerospace Medicine Squadron Commander, Robins AFB, GA; and as the 72d Medical Group Commander, Tinker AFB, OK. He earned a Masters in Strategic Studies through the Air War College in 2019. He has deployments as a physician during OEF and OIF. He is committed to preparing the Joint Warfighter for world-wide contingency operations, and delivering high quality, Trusted Care to our valued beneficiaries.



EDUCATION

- 1995 – Bachelor of Science degree in Biology, Mary Washington College, Virginia.
- 1999 – Doctor of Medicine, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine, Virginia
- 2002 – Family Medicine Residency, Chesterfield Family Medicine Residency Program, Virginia
- 2004 – Squadron Officer School (BDE) by correspondence
- 2005 – Distinguished Graduate, Aerospace Medicine Primary Course, San Antonio, Texas
- 2007 – Air Command and Staff College (IDE) by correspondence
- 2008 – Master of Public Health, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD
- 2009 – Occupational & Environmental Medicine Residency, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health
- 2012 – Air War College (SDE) by correspondence
- 2013 – Joint Operations Medical Management Course (JOMMC)
- 2015 – Interagency Institute for Federal Healthcare Executives
- 2016 – Joint Senior Medical Leaders Course (JSMLC)

2017 – Institute for Healthcare Improvement, Basic Certificate in Quality & Safety
2018 – Military Health System Capstone Course
2018 – American Association of Physician Leadership, Certified Physician Executive Capstone Course
2019 – Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
2021 – Air Commando Indoctrination Course, AFSOC
2022 – Foundations of Global Health Engagement Course, Uniformed Services University

ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 1999 – May 2002, Resident in Family Medicine, USAFR Financial Aid Program (FAP), Virginia
2. August 2002 – July 2005, Family Medicine physician and clinic element chief, 314th MDG, Little Rock AFB, AR
3. July 2005 – June 2007, Flight Surgeon and Deputy Chief of the Medical Staff, 314th MDG, Little Rock AFB, AR
4. July 2007– June 2009, Residency in Occupational and Environmental Medicine through Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT), Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD
5. July 2009 – May 2012, Occupational Medicine Consultant, 95th MDG, Edwards AFB, CA
6. June 2012 – July 2014, Chief of Medical Staff and Deputy Medical Group Commander, 23d MDG, Moody AFB, GA
7. July 2014 – August 2016, Commander, 78th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, Robins AFB, GA
8. August 2016 – June 2018, Commander, 72d Medical Group, Tinker AFB, OK
9. July 2018 – May 2019, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
10. June 2019 – June 2022, Command Surgeon, USAF Academy, Commander, 10th Medical Group, Colorado Springs Military Health System Market Director & Deputy Director, USAF Academy, CO
11. July 2022 – Present, Command Surgeon, Air Education and Training Command, Jt Base San Antonio-Randolph, TX

FLIGHT EXPERIENCE:

Ratings: Senior Flight Surgeon, Basic Parachutist
Flight hours: More than 365 hours
Aircraft Flown: C130E/H/J, UH60A/H, F-16D, E8C/A, KC-135R, E3B/C/G, A6B, T-53

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air Force Aerial Achievement Award
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Meritorious Unit Award
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with five oak leaf clusters
2013 ACC Chief of the Medical Staff Commitment to Excellence Award

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS:

American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM)
Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA)
AMSUS Society of Federal Health Professionals
American Association of Physician Leadership, Certified Physician Executive
Interagency Institute for Federal Healthcare Executives

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Captain, 30 October 1999
Major, 01 July 2005
Lieutenant Colonel, 30 May 2010
Colonel, 30 May 2014

CURRENT AS OF JULY 2022