

## Pre-Deployment

Overview of deployment process for a physician  
Operational Preventive Medicine -P Volpe, UFP Winter 2001

### Preparation

- Ascertain nature of operation: combat, peacekeeping, humanitarian; initial group vs swap out; clearance level; duration, potential to extend; single, multiple locations
- Personal, family: Family Care Plan, utilities, credit cards, mail
- Legal: POA, will, trust
- Medical: BLS, ACLS, ATLS, CME UTD, Board certification UTD, credentials transfer brief, license
- Military: personnel record UTD (include your subordinates), emergency locator, SGLI
- Personal packing
  - Immediate carry: orders, CAC, passport, emergency phone list
  - Equipment: diagnostic gear, packs/satchel, minor illness meds, injury treatment
  - Information: books vs portable handbooks, CDs/USB, laptop, smartphone, laminated “cheat sheets”
  - Online forms [see References]
  - EBM, CPG: [MACE](#)
  - Service regulations: [AR](#), [BUMED](#), [AFIs/Forms](#)
  - Flying: AO, DD 2992 (up-chit), Individual Data & Training Summary from ARMS (AF)
  - Aircrew forms: [AFTO 781](#) | AFF 3520 Aircrew/Mission Flight Data Extract, Feb 91
  - Trades: FS wings, patches, zaps
- Medical planning
  - Site:
    - Facilities, infrastructure (power, water, communications), new vs in place already
    - Meds & supplies on hand, easily available, logistics chain; procedure support
    - Medical echelon and personnel, holding - surgical - ambulance capability, pharmacy/lab/rad
    - Evacuation plans: air/ground/sea; [Joint Trauma System \(JTS\)](#); “bug-out” plans
    - Mortuary plans, [Office of the Armed Forces Medical Examiner](#)
  - Primary/addl duty: work in/run clinic, senior medical officer, commander’s staff, evac staff
    - Deploying as organic vs supplemental medical assets, transition into unit for non-organic physician
    - Midlevel, technician, operator (PJ, SEAL medics, etc) medical director
    - Joint/coalition/host nation/NGO level of interaction, humanitarian roles, AARs
    - Clearance level, flight/special duty status, PRP, AUoF
  - Medical threats, endemic diseases, enemy threat, expected casualties [below]
  - Sources: AFMIC (open and secret), Travax, CDC, WHO
  - [Air Force Medical Expeditionary Systems](#)
- Medical preparation
  - Services IMR (Individual Medical Readiness) program
  - Medical records: you, your medical team, your unit; screen and review, copy of summary
    - [Deployment Prescription Program](#)
  - Medications; adequate supple for duration of deployment
  - Immunizations/chemoprophylaxis of you and troops
    - [Vaccine Recommendations by AOR](#)
    - AR 40–562 / BUMEDINST 6230.15B / AFI 48–110\_IP / CG COMDTINST M6230.4G  
[Immunizations and Chemoprophylaxis for the Prevention of Infectious Diseases](#) 07 Oct 2013 current  
16 Feb 2018
    - [ACIP Vaccine Recommendations and Guidelines](#)
  - Pre-Deployment Health Assessment required within 120 days of deployment
    - [DD Form 2795 Pre-Deployment Health Assessment](#), Oct 15
    - [AFI 48-122 Deployment Health](#)

- Theater specific guidelines
  - [MOD 13 to USCENTCOM Individual Protection and Individual-Unit Deployment Policy](#)
  - [Medical Disqualifiers and Minimal Standards of Fitness: PPG-TAB A](#)
  - [USARCENT Surgeon Medical Deployment Handbook](#) (also clear, thorough general prep overview)
  - [USAFCENT/SG Medical Waiver Guide](#)
  - [AFSOUTH/SG Medical Waiver Guide](#)

## **Military Medical Policy**

[JP 4-02 Joint Health Services](#)

[Psychological Health Center of Excellence](#) (formerly Deployment Health Clinical Center)

[Military OneSource](#)

*Army*

[FM 4-02 \(ATTP 4-02\) Army Health System](#)

*Navy*

*Air Force*

[AFI 10-403 Deployment Planning and Execution](#), 5 Aug 05

[AFI 10-404 Base Support and Expeditionary Site Planning](#), 09 Mar 04

AFTTPs on e-publishing

## **Medical Planning and Intel**

[Library of Congress Country Studies](#)

[CIA World Factbook](#)

[DoS Background Notes](#)

[DoS Office of American Citizens Services and Crisis Management \(ACS\) Consular Information Program](#)

[National Center for Medical Intelligence](#) (formerly AFMIC) (requires CAC)

USAF Flight Surgeon's Guide, Deployment Operations, chapter 22

[The SGP Tactic Guide](#), chapter 13 (AF)

[US Naval Flight Surgeon's Manual](#), 3rd ed, 1991