Army Medical Department

1. The Army Medical Department description

The AMEDD is a special branch of the Army whose mission is to provide health services for the Army and, as directed, for other agencies, organizations and military Services. Six separate officer Corps or branches provide the leadership and professional expertise necessary to accomplish the broad Soldier support functions implicit to the mission. Specific information on AMEDD officer professional and career development may be found in detail in DA Pam 600–4.

2. Personnel management

The key to the distinctive personnel management system of the AMEDD is the six individual Corps, each with a defined mission; some with missions provided for by statute. The separate nature of the many disciplines that combine to make the total health care delivery system dictates some diversity in approach to the management of the personnel within that system. The AMEDD capitalizes upon the diversity of its Corps and is committed to developing and selecting the very best-qualified officers from its entire Corps for key leadership positions. The Surgeon General is responsible for AMEDD officer career management within the general policies established by the DCS, G–1. The Director of Personnel, Office of The Surgeon General, and the Commander, HRC manage AMEDD officers with the advice and assistance of the six AMEDD Corps chiefs and professional consultants.