

Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Kristy Cortner Command Sergeant Major 18th Medical Command (Deployment Support)

Command Sergeant Major Kristy J. Cortner is a native of Tallahassee, Florida; she enlisted in the United States Army in September 1995 as a Medical Specialist, attended Basic Training at Fort Leonardwood, Missouri and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

CSM Cortner previously served as the Command Sergeant Major for Fort Belvoir Community Hospital, Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Other assignments

include Command Sergeant Major, 47th Combat Support Hospital, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington; Operations Sergeant Major, 18th Medical Command, Fort Shafter, Hawaii; Adjutant, Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii; First Sergeant, 566th Area Support Medical Company, 61st Multifunctional Medical Battalion, Fort Hood, Texas; Plans Noncommissioned Officer, 1st Medical Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas; Drill Sergeant, B Co. 2-13th Infantry Regiment, Fort Jackson, South Carolina; Operations Sergeant, Winn Army Community Hospital, Fort Stewart, Georgia; Platoon Sergeant and Senior Supply Sergeant, 201st Forward Support Battalion, Vilseck, Germany; Senior Medic, 13th Signal Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas; Squad Leader, C Co. 27th Main Support Battalion, Fort Hood, Texas; Operations Sergeant, 61st Area Support Medical Battalion, Fort Hood, Texas; Squad Leader, C Co. 61st Area Support Medical Battalion, Fort Hood, Texas; Medical Specialist, C Co. 61st Area Support Medical Battalion, Fort Hood, Texas.

CSM Cortner's military education includes Instructor Trainer Course; United States Army Drill Sergeant School; Combatives Level One; First Sergeant Course; Health Services Plans, Operations, Intelligence, Security, and Training Course; Joint Medical Executive Skills Capstone Course; Battalion and Brigade Pre-Command Courses; and all levels of Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development, including Class 66 of the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy. She received a Bachelor's Degree in Liberal Arts from Excelsior College in July, 2016 and a Master's in Health Services from Excelsior College in November, 2020.

CSM Cortner's awards and decorations include the: Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (1 OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (4 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (1 Silver OLC, 2 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (1 Silver OLC, 3 OLC), Army Good Conduct Award (8th Award), National Defense Medal (1 BSS), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (1 BSS), Kosovo Campaign Medal (1 BSS), Afghanistan Campaign Medal (1 BSS), Iraqi Campaign Medal (2 BSS), Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal (1 BSS), Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (5th Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (5th Award), NATO Medal (1 BSS), Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Award (2 OLC), Army Superior Unit Award, Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, Combat Medical Badge, Combat Action Badge, and the Expert Field Medical Badge.