

# United States Army Medical Readiness Command, East

## Change of Command Ceremony



September 18, 2023  
1000 hours  
Long Parade Field  
Fort Belvoir, Virginia

*Excellence begins in the East! ... Ready Now!  
Army Medicine is Army Strong!*

# Sequence of Events

## Welcome

Mr. Michael Villarreal

## Presentation of Gifts

## Invocation

Chaplain (Captain) Harold Morris

## Arrival of the Official Party

Reviewing Officer:

**Lieutenant General R. Scott Dingle**

Outgoing Commanding General:

**Brigadier General Mary V. Krueger**

Incoming Commanding General:

**Brigadier General Lance C. Raney**

## Presentation of Honors

## National Anthem

Major Isis Rosario

## Change of Command

## Remarks

## The Army Song

## Conclusion of Ceremony



## Lieutenant General R. Scott Dingle

The Surgeon General and  
Commanding General,  
United States Army Medical Command

Lieutenant General R. Scott Dingle is the 45th Surgeon General of the United States Army and Commanding General, United States Army Medical Command. Prior to his appointment, he served as the Deputy Surgeon General and Deputy Commanding General (Support), U.S. Army Medical Command. His previous military assignments include: Commanding General, Regional Health Command–Atlantic; Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, Office of the Surgeon General, Falls Church, Virginia; Commander, 30th Medical Brigade, Germany; Director, Health Care Operations/G-3, Office of the Surgeon General, Falls Church, Virginia; Commander, U.S. Army Medical Recruiting Brigade, Fort Knox, Kentucky; Commander, 261st Multifunctional Medical Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Chief, Current Operations, Special Plans Officer, Healthcare Operations Executive Officer, Office of the Surgeon General, Falls Church, Virginia; Chief, Medical Plans and Operations Multinational Corps-Iraq Surgeon's Office, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Baghdad, Iraq; and Chief, Medical Plans and Operations, 18th Airborne Corps Surgeon's Office, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Executive Officer.

He is a Distinguished Military Graduate of Morgan State University. His degrees include Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University, Master of Military Arts and Science from the School of Advanced Military Studies and a Master of Science in National Security Strategy from the National War College.

His awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster), Legion of Merit (two Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (seven Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Commendation Medal (two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), Humanitarian Service Medal, the Order of Military Medical Merit, Recruiters Medallion, the Order of Kentucky Colonels, the Army Surgeon General's prestigious 9A Proficiency Designator, the French Legion of Honor (Knight).



**Brigadier General Mary V. Krueger**  
Outgoing Commanding General,  
United States Army  
Medical Readiness Command, East  
and 24th Chief,  
United States Army Medical Corps

Brigadier General Mary V. Krueger assumed duties as the Commanding General, Regional Health Command-Atlantic in June 2021.

Regional Health Command - Atlantic transitioned to Medical Readiness Command, East in September 2022. BG Krueger was appointed as the 24th Chief of the Army Medical Corps in November 2022.

BG Krueger received her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Houghton College in 1991 and was commissioned through the Health Professions Scholarship Program as a second lieutenant in the United States Army. She received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine in 1995 from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and completed residency training in Family Medicine in 1998, and Faculty Development Fellowship in 2002, both at Madigan Army Medical Center, Fort Lewis, Washington. She is board certified in Family Medicine and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians. She received a Master's in Public Health from the University of Washington in 2002, a Masters of Military Arts and Science from the Command and General Staff College in 2008, and a Masters in National Security and Resource Strategy at the Dwight D. Eisenhower School of National Security and Resource Strategy in 2015. BG Krueger's military education includes the War College, Army Command and General Staff College, AMEDD Officer Advanced Course, AMEDD Officer Basic Course, Army Flight Surgeon Course, Division Surgeon Course, and Brigade Command Course.

Prior to her current position, she served as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Support, G-1/4/6, Office of The Surgeon General and U.S. Army Medical Command from 2020-2021. BG Krueger is an Army Flight Surgeon, has earned the Expert Field Medical Badge, the Army Staff Identification Badge, and holds The Surgeon General's 9A Designation. BG Krueger is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit.



## **Brigadier General Lance C. Raney** Incoming Commanding General, United States Army Medical Readiness Command, East

Brigadier General Lance C. Raney is a native of Texarkana, Texas. He attended Ouachita University and the University of Arkansas School of Medicine and was commissioned as a U.S. Army Medical Corps officer in 1993.

He completed a residency in Family Medicine at Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia. He holds a Doctor of Medicine, a Master's in Strategic Studies, and is board certified by the American Board of Family Medicine.

After completing residency, BG Raney served in a variety of medical staff, clinic chief, and department chief positions at Reynolds Army Community Hospital, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and Ireland Army Community Hospital, Fort Knox, Kentucky. From 2003-2006, he served as the Brigade Surgeon for the 172nd Infantry Brigade, Fort Wainwright, Alaska, and deployed to Iraq in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. Upon completing Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, he returned to Fort Knox, Kentucky, as the Deputy Commander for Clinical Services. In 2010 he was assigned to Heidelberg, Germany, serving as the hospital's Deputy Commander and the Chief of Clinical Operations for the U.S. Army Europe Region Medical Command.

BG Raney commanded Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center, Fort Huachuca, Arizona, from 2013 to 2015 and Womack Army Medical Center, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, from 2016 to 2018. Strategic staff assignments include Chief of Consultants to the Army Surgeon General, U.S. Army Central Command Surgeon, clinical operations chief for the Office of the Secretary of Defense COVID Testing and Diagnostics Task Force, the Army Liaison Officer for Military Health System Governance and Reform, and the FORSCOM Command Surgeon.

BG Raney is the recipient of the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Staff Badge and the Army Combat Medical Badge.

# History

## United States Army

### Medical Readiness Command, East

The U.S. Army Health Services Command was reorganized into regions, known as Health Service Support Areas, in 1992. The support area covering the northeastern United States was the North Atlantic Health Service Support Area, headquartered at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

In October of 1993, the U.S. Army Medical Command (Provisional) was established. The new command, combining Army Dental and Veterinary Commands with general medical commands, was permanently authorized in 1994. The North Atlantic Health Service Support Area became the North Atlantic Regional Medical Command. At the time, NARMC was one of the Army's six regional medical commands and was responsible for about 25 percent of MEDCOM's patient load in the United States.

Base Realignment and Closure in 2005 prompted a reorganization of the Army Medical Command. Walter Reed Army Medical Center was closed and integrated with the National Naval Medical Center at Bethesda to create Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. In addition, the Joint Task Force Capitol-Medical was established. The reorganization afforded the new Northern Regional Medical Command the opportunity to evaluate its health care delivery processes. NRMC sought to improve access to care for all beneficiaries.

On July 8, 2015, with approval from the Secretary of the Army, followed by operational order from U.S. Army Medical Command, NRMC became Regional Health Command-Atlantic, the largest health command in Army Medicine. The region included all Army medical centers, hospitals, and clinics east of the Mississippi River. In addition, RHC-A was responsible for the Atlantic region's dental and public health commands.

RHC-A was officially redesignated as the **U.S. Army Medical Readiness Command, East** on Sept. 8, 2022, as part of the Army's modernization efforts to build the Soldier of 2030.

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## United States Army

### Medical Readiness Command, East

#### Symbolism

The white field in the background represents the purity of intention in supporting the treatment of wounded, ill and injured soldiers, as well as the medical environment.

The red, white and blue colors refer to the colors of the United States and are arranged in a rainbow to represent the hope of the patients and their families under Command's care.

The Rod of Aesculapius is a historic symbol of the medical profession. The olive branch symbolizes peace and the thirteen leaves denoting the thirteen original colonies. The bunch of seven arrows represents the seven Medical Treatment Facilities under the Command. Together, they refer to the duty of the Command to oversee the Service Members' treatment during both war and peace. The undulating water refers to the Atlantic Ocean and the Great Lakes which border the region.

#### Background

The distinctive unit insignia was originally approved for the Northern Regional Medical Command on Dec. 17, 2012. It was redesignated effective Oct. 1, 2016, for the U.S. Army Regional Health Command-Atlantic with the symbolism updated. It was redesignated July 25, 2022, for the Medical Readiness Command, East.



# The Army Song

March along, sing our song,  
with the Army of the free.  
Count the brave, count the true,  
who have fought to victory.  
We're the Army and proud of our name!  
We're the Army and proudly proclaim:

First to fight for the right  
And to build the Nation's might,  
And The Army Goes Rolling Along.  
Proud of all we have done,  
Fighting till the battle's won,  
And the Army Goes Rolling Along.

Then it's hi! hi! hey!  
The Army's on its way.  
Count off the cadence loud and strong;  
(Two! Three!)  
For where'er we go,  
You will always know  
That The Army Goes Rolling Along.