

116th MEDICAL SQUADRON

LINEAGE

116th Tactical Hospital

STATIONS

Dobbins AFB, GA

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Col John D. Mullins

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The 116th Medical Squadron was established in 1952 as the 116th USAF Dispensary. In its 48 years of existence, the Medical Squadron has gone from a Dispensary (TAC), to a Clinic (MAC), to a Hospital (TAC), and now as a Medical Squadron with Air Combat Command (ACC).

Since 1952, the Medical Squadron has had 9 commanders: Col John T. Mauldin, Maj Jimmie L. Rodgers, Col Philip T. Schley, who became the first State Air Surgeon, Col Thomas F. Lowry, Col John P. Syribeys, Col Luther G. Fortson, Col Lorenzo Cabrera, and the present commander, Col John D. Mullins. Col Mullins took command on 18 August 1996. The Squadron's First Sergeant is MSgt Moses Haynes.

The 116th Medical Squadron provides medical support to all the units that make up the 116th

Bomb Wing and its GSUs, to include Headquarters, Georgia Air National Guard, 202 EIS, 283 CBCS, and the 530th Air Force Band.

Members of the medical squadron have answered the numerous calls by the Governor in times of state emergencies. In the early 1960s, it was the Civil Rights marches in Atlanta, in 1994 it supported the Middle Georgia floods, and the most recent, Hurricane Floyd in 1999. Thirty-six members were called to Federal Active Duty in 1991 in support of Operation DESERT SHIELD and STORM. Those members served seven months at Luke AFB in Arizona. During those seven months, the members of the 116th Medical Squadron staffed the hospital and provided medical and surgical support to the military and retired population at Luke while the 832nd Medical Group was in Saudi Arabia.

In 1986, the Squadron participated in a JOINT MEDICAL RED FLAG Exercise at Hahn Air Base, Germany, and in 1992, after receiving an Excellent rating on their Health Services Inspection, the Medical Squadron was rewarded with a trip to Wiesbaden, Germany to work with the 704th Contingency Hospital. Members of the Squadron have also participated in Humanitarian Missions to Jamaica in 1989 and to the Republic of Georgia, former member of the Soviet Union, in 1992. Col John D. Mullins has participated in numerous missions to the Philippines and Haiti to provide surgical support to the children of those countries.

In 1996 the Squadron moved with the Wing from Dobbins ARB to Robins AFB. Since that time the Squadron has been located in several temporary facilities on base. In September 2000, the 116th Medical Squadron is expected to move into their new modern spacious facility.

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