

60 INPATIENT OPERATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

The "youngest" squadron within the Medical Group (activated in 2007) is responsible for all inpatient care at DGMC. A diverse medical service, the 60 IPTS provides primary and subspecialty inpatient care for more than 500,000 Departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs eligible beneficiaries. This joint venture 110-bed medical center -- the largest in Air Mobility Command -- is a referral center for women's and children's patient healthcare, adult medical/surgical, joint voluntary/involuntary status mental health unit, cardiovascular and critical care. With 284 authorized personnel, 60 IPTS provides state-of-the-art care for more than 5,600 admissions annually.

Five flights make up 60 IPTS: Maternal Child Care Flight, Surgical Inpatient Flight, Critical Care Flight, Medical Inpatient Flight, and the Mental Health Inpatient Flight. 60 IPTS boasts 19 telemetry beds, which allows for the continuous remote monitoring of the heart while the patient is away from the bed.

60 IPTS has one of two inpatient psychiatric wards in the Air Force Medical Service, and plans to add services for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder inpatients in the future. As a direct supporter of the Global War on Terror, 60 IPTS responds to EMEDS, CATT, TCN, and other national tasks. There are currently 14 squadron member scheduled to deploy in the upcoming rotation.

LINEAGE

60 Inpatient Operations Squadron constituted, 2 Jul 2007
Activated, 31 Jul 2007

STATIONS

Travis AFB, CA, 31 Jul 2007

ASSIGNMENTS

60 Medical Group, 31 Jul 2007

COMMANDERS

Col Nancy A. Opheim

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jul 2007-30 Jun 2009

1 Jul 2009-30 Jun 2010

1 Jul 2010-30 Jun 2012

EMBLEM

On a disc Azure and Or, per fess divided by a heart rhythm Argent, the upper line fimbriated of the first, in chief a cross Gules, in base a lamp enflamed of the second, surmounted by a Rod of Aesculapius, rod Sable, snake of the second, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "PREVENT SUFFERING" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "60TH INPATIENT OPS SQ" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The red cross represents the medical mission of the Squadron. The heart rhythm signifies the purity of the unit's goal to preserve life. The lamp and Rod of Aesculapius symbolize the passion and determination of the assigned nurses and enlisted medical technicians. (Approved, 14 Dec 2007)

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