

## 127 MEDICAL GROUP



### MISSION

The mission of the 127th Medical Group is to provide highly trained professionals committed to medical readiness, homeland security and disaster response in service to the 127th Wing, State of Michigan, and Nation. The 127th MDG is a component of the 127th Wing, Michigan Air National Guard, assigned to Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Mich.

The 127th Medical Group consists of approximately 55 Airmen and is made up of the Medical Operations and Medical Support flights. On any given UTA weekend the MDG can provide 200 to 300 physicals to include areas such as Preventative Health Assessments (PHAs), dental, audiograms, optometry, vitals, vaccinations, and physician assessments.

The MDG also handles profiles and waivers in conjunction with National Guard Bureau. The Group also plays a part in the 127th Force Support Squadron's Line of Duty and Medical Evaluation Board process for the 127th Wing. The Medical Group supports industrial hygiene, fetal protection, hearing conservation, food safety and sanitation, food and water vulnerability assessments, occupational medicine, deployment medicine, respiratory protection, and hazard communication (HAZCOM).

Some MDG personnel belong to the base's flying units and serve as the Flight Surgeon and Squadron Medical Element (SME). In these roles, MDG Airmen primarily provide for the medical needs of their respective unit in preparation for, during, and after deployments. The MDG includes local Airmen who are part of an Air Force Critical Care Air Transport Team (CCATT), an in-flight intensive care unit used to transport the most critically injured patients in

the aero-medical evacuation system. The CCATT Airmen provide care to those who are being evacuated from theater to fully equipped intensive care units.

#### **LINEAGE**

127 Tactical Clinic  
127 Medical Group  
127 Medical Squadron

#### **STATIONS**

Selfridge ANGB, Mt Clemens, MI

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

#### **COMMANDERS**

Col James F. Rosbolt, #1976  
Col Jerry W. Brackett, #1986

Col Sidney Martin, #2010

#### **HONORS**

##### **Service Streamers**

##### **Campaign Streamers**

##### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

##### **Decorations**

#### **EMBLEM**

#### **MOTTO**

#### **NICKNAME**

#### **OPERATIONS**

April 2007—Members of the 127th Medical Group deployed for a one-year deployment in support of Operation Jump Start. The operation saw the deployment of National Guard forces along the U.S.-Mexican border to bolster U.S. Customs Border Patrol agents. Guardsmen typically provided administrative and civil engineering support for the operation and were not involved in actual law enforcement.

June 2008—13 members of the 127th Medical Group, deployed to Aiuksne, Latvia for two-weeks to offer medical assistance and assessment for needy people. Services provided included dental and optical work.

May 2009—26 members of Selfridge's 127 Medical Group, Battle Creek's 110th Medical Group and Alpena's Combat Readiness Training Center deployed to Latvia for two-weeks to work with Latvian Army and local healthcare professionals in providing free optometric and dental services to the people of Aluksne and Liepaja. This was the second year the Michigan Air National Guardsmen deployed to the region as a part of the State Partnership Program between Michigan and Latvia.

Since 1993, the State Partnership Program couples U.S. states with allied nations for training, the nature of which is determined by the needs of the region. This program allows commands that frequently make combat deployments (such as EUCOM) to meet their training objectives.<sup>179</sup> A case in point was Poland's recent combat deployment to Iraq. Polish troops were trained by Illinois ANG personnel, which allowed the guardsmen to participate in national emergencies, while still meeting their combat deployment commitments in Iraq.

June 2010—37 members of the 127th Medical Group deployed to Tripler Army Medical Center, HI. for Overseas Annual Training. While there, 127th Medical Group personnel processed over 400 Army soldiers who were on a real world deployment.

Since 2000, 127th MDG Airmen have deployed in support of missions to Guam, Germany, Iraq, Afghanistan, Qatar, and Kyrgyzstan. In recent years, MDG Airmen have performed in missions in the United States as well as in the European nations of Latvia and Estonia.