

## 42 MEDICAL SERVICE SQUADRON



### MISSION

### LINEAGE

42 Casualty Staging Squadron constituted, 18 Feb 1959  
Activated in the Reserve, 8 Apr 1959  
Redesignated 42 Medical Service Squadron, 8 Oct 1964

### STATIONS

Ft. Rosecrans, CA, 8 Apr 1959  
Norton AFB, CA, 8 Oct 1964

### ASSIGNMENTS

2639 Air Reserve Center, 8 Apr 1959  
2478 Air Force Reserve Sector, 1 Jul 1961  
Sixth Air Force Reserve Region, 1 Jul 1965;  
Western Air Force Reserve Region, 31 Dec 1969  
445 Military Airlift wing (Associate), 8 Oct 1976

### COMMANDERS

### HONORS

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jan-31 Dec 1981

1 Sep 1985-31 Aug 1987

## **EMBLEM**

A disc with a narrow gold border above a white scroll edged with gold, the disc blazoned as follows: Azure, between two pairs of wings conjoined in leure those in chief inverted argent surmounted by a cross throughout or, a plate bearing a cross throughout sanguine surmounted by the rod of Aesculapius staff gold serpent of the first. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and golden yellow are the Air Force colors. The white disc with the dark red cross surmounted by the rod of Aesculapius stands for the 42d Medical Service Squadron. The horizontal and vertical arms of the cross extending over the blue area represent a line of latitude and of longitude; they allude to the globe and to the receiving of casualties by the Casualty Staging Unit from all over the world. The wings stand for aircraft and the airmen served by the Squadron. In addition, the four arms of the cross and the two pairs of wings allude to the Squadron's numerical designation. (Approved, 13 Aug 1968)

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

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### Sources

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