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Dear Medical Corps Colleagues,

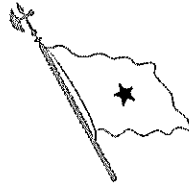
Happy Birthday Shipmates! I am amazed by all of your accomplishments since our last birthday celebration. You have risen once again, to the challenge of a global pandemic by vaccinating tens of thousands of Americans, both service members and civilians, and tested even more at mass testing sites. You have left the comforts of your homes making countless lives better in civilian medical centers with overflowing Intensive Care Units, assisting Afghan civilians in Operation Allies Welcome, and deployed around the world in support of the greatest fighting force known to man. You have heard the call time and again and have answered without hesitation. As we begin our 151st year of service to our Navy, I am continuously impressed with the professionalism, commitment, and perseverance that I see from each of you every day. While there are many uncertainties in the future with the constant threat from our peer adversaries, there is NO doubt you are up for the challenge!

Our Corps is currently going through a number of transitions, the shift toward straight-through training, continual force shaping with new platforms and the transition of the MHS, each ensuring that the Defense Health Agency will be an overwhelming success. While these challenges may seem daunting at times, there is nothing that the Medical Corps cannot overcome. The over 4,200 active and reserve officers in our Corps exemplify the values and ethos of the Naval service with incomparable expertise, humility, and determination. Your actions continue to inspire me, the Navy, and the Nation. Happy Birthday Medical Corps!

Sincerely,

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J. L. HANCOCK
Rear Admiral, Medical Corps
Director, Navy Medical Corps



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RDML James Hancock, MC, USN
Chief, Medical Corps
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Dear Rear Admiral Hancock, *Jim,*

On behalf of the Navy Dental Corps, I extend my congratulations, admiration and sincere appreciation to the Navy Medical Corps as you celebrate 151 years of professional distinction and service excellence.

Since 1871, the Medical Corps has led the way as an elite community of world class providers. With over 4300 active and reserve physicians providing care in 23 specialties, the Medical Corps has led the way as the vanguard in the projection of medical power in support of Naval superiority around the globe. With unmatched dedication, the Medical Corps has served with distinction at sea and ashore, on the frontlines of conflict and the frontiers of medical science. Your service continues to inspire our Naval force and our Nation.

Each new year brings new challenges, but the Navy Medical Corps has never failed to answer the call to support the men and women who wear and have worn the cloth of our Nation and the families who support them. To the active and reserve Navy physicians serving here and throughout the world, I extend my sincere and deep gratitude for your dedication, your compassion and sacrifice and congratulate you all on this special day. Happy 151st Birthday Shipmates!

Sincerely,

R. FREEDMAN
Rear Admiral, Dental Corps
United States Navy
Chief, Navy Dental Corps



Director
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Dear Admiral Hancock,

It is my sincere pleasure to wish you - and the valiant men and women of the Navy Medical Corps a very happy 151st birthday!

As the world and our nation continue to face the challenges of a relentless pandemic, a surge in operations to support ally evacuees, and the dynamic evolution of the Navy and Marine Corps mission focus, the Medical Corps has sustained its superior response, exemplary, life-saving care delivery, and steadfast leadership on the front lines. You continue to fearlessly carry the legacy of the 153 original Medical Corps Officers of 1871. It is truly an honor to serve alongside you as part of the One Navy Medicine team, whenever and wherever we are called.

On behalf all *ready, relevant, and resilient* Navy Nurse Corps Officers serving worldwide, I would like to extend my heartfelt wishes for many more years of deliberate collaboration, unity in our purpose, and the steadfast resolve of timeless, transcendent teamwork, as we celebrate your Corps, with you, on your 151st anniversary. Cheers!

Sincerely,

C. A. KUEHNER
Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy
Director, Navy Nurse Corps



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Dear Admiral Hancock,

On behalf of the Medical Service Corps, it is a pleasure to send my sincere congratulations to the dedicated medical providers of the Medical Corps on the occasion of your 151st birthday!

The Medical Corps has a long and rich history of improving the lives of Sailors, Soldiers, Airman, Marines, retirees, and their families since the establishment in 1871. This past year is filled with numerous examples of the impact Medical Corps Officers have had on the levels of readiness, leadership, and clinical skills needed to advance Navy Medicine. It is an honor to have served alongside all the Medical Corps Officers this past year and we thank you for your unyielding commitment to our Service members and their families.

I extend my sincerest regards to you and all 4,300 Medical Corps Officers as we celebrate this special day. With my utmost respect and appreciation, I wish you a very Happy Birthday!

Sincerely,

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T. H. WEBER
Rear Admiral, Medical Service Corps
United States Navy



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Dear Admiral Hancock,

The Hospital Corpsmen and I are honored to congratulate you and the men and women of the Medical Corps for 151 years of outstanding service to the world's greatest Navy!

Thank you for everything you do for our Sailors and beneficiaries. Thank you and our talented medical professionals for the vital roles they assume to accomplish the mission of our One Navy Medicine team. In addition to being healthcare providers, your Officers are organizational leaders and mentors to our Hospital Corpsmen; they are advocates for their patients, they are administrators, warfighters, spouses, and parents. They are at the forefront of military medicine, whether at home or abroad. For all these reasons and so many more, the Hospital Corps is fortunate to follow the lead set by the Medical Corps.

We look forward to continuing to stand by your side, ensuring a medically ready force sustaining worldwide operations at sea or on the battlefield. The example you set with your professionalism and the training you provide is evident in each saved life and patient served. From Commodore William Maxwell Wood to Captain Joseph Peter Kerwin, the Medical Corps has continued to lift military medicine to new heights, and we are fortunate to work in tandem. As you continue to guide Navy Medicine, know that we support and appreciate all that you do.

Happy Birthday, Medical Corps! Thank you for all of your efforts!

Sincerely,

**M. J. ROBERTS
FORCM(FMF/SW/AW), USN
Force Master Chief
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**DIRECTOR
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Dear Admiral Hancock,

On behalf of the Navy Medicine Civilian Corps, I offer my sincerest congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of your 151st birthday.

Talented and devoted, the over 4,300 Medical Corps officers serving our Navy and Marine Corps families around the globe represent "the best" our great nation has to offer. Far-forward deployed or in-garrison, their dedication and expertise practiced safely, compassionately and innovatively continue to significantly elevate the standard of care and simultaneously increase survivability of the warfighter.

I and my 10,700 Navy Medicine Civilian Corps colleagues remain so proud serving with you and the men and women of the Navy Medical Corps. Happy Birthday!

Sincerely,

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SUBJ/2022 MEDICAL CORPS 151ST BIRTHDAY MESSAGE// Esteemed colleagues, On behalf of all of Navy Medicine, I extend my sincerest and most heartfelt congratulations to our Medical Corps as you celebrate your 151st birthday. Since formalized as an official staff corps on March 3, 1871, the Medical Corps has continued to adapt and develop with the times. An excellent example of such adaptability is seen by the evolution of our flight surgeon community.

Nearly a hundred years ago - on April 29, 1922 - the Navy's first class of flight surgeons graduated from the Army's School of Aviation Medicine in Mitchell Field, NY. Among them was LT Victor Armstrong, the first Chief of the Aviation Medicine Division at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. It is no understatement to say Armstrong and his fellow pioneering Navy flight surgeons founded the very field of naval Aviation Medicine. Under their watch, the first flight surgeons reported aboard carriers Langley, Lexington and Saratoga; an aviation medical research program was developed; a separate school for training Navy flight surgeons was established; and most significantly, our Navy and Marine aviators were able to attain a new level of care and readiness never before seen. In World War II, Navy flight surgeons were found on carriers and at forward operating air stations across the Pacific, and it is perhaps no surprise they were among the most highly decorated wartime physicians.

The same dedication and focus to duty so exemplified by our founding flights surgeons can be seen throughout the Medical Corps today. As part of Operation Allies Welcome, Navy medical physicians helped oversee the medical

screenings and acute care for some 100,000 Afghan partners. Medical Corps officers continue to provide lifesaving care at civilian hospitals and clinics from Albuquerque, NM to Takoma Park, MD as part of our Defense Support to Civilian Authorities COVID-19 teams. And each day - whether on ship or shore - the members of our Medical Corps are providing patient care, mental health services, medical education and training, public health services, conducting biomedical research and serving as leaders and mentors throughout the Navy. In short, they are Projecting Medical Power for Naval Superiority!

To the 4,200+ Active Duty and Reserve Medical Corps Officers, I thank you for your selfless service, your professionalism, and the sacrifice of you and your families make each and every day.

I am proud to be your shipmate and it is my honor to serve with you as part of One Navy Medicine.

Released by Rear Admiral Bruce Gillingham, Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.// BT

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