



# Naval Medical Force Development Center (NMFDC)

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### BUMED Readiness Spotlight

The Trauma Strategy Management Office (TSMO) visited Cook County Health (CCH) to validate their capabilities and confirm expansion of the current military-civilian partnership. This effort will embed the first full-time Expeditionary Resuscitative Surgical System (ERSS) team onsite starting in October 2022.



(Above) BUMED and NMRTC Great Lakes leadership meet with CCH Executive and Trauma leaders.

The goal of the CCH partnership is to provide our “fight tonight” teams with skills sustainment opportunities and maximize individual and team readiness. These ERSS teams will gain extensive exposure to trauma case volume and acuity in the civilian hospital setting and work with CCH to track and report on readiness related data.

### Graphic of the Month

Sailboats look multiple boat lengths ahead to navigate, allowing them to adjust their course when necessary

⚓ Self-assessment (Get Real) and self-correction (Get Better) are crucial for the performance and success of Navy Medicine



**Commitment to Resilience**

**Leadership**

**Office of Primary Responsibility**  
M5 (Mr. John Zarkowsky)

**Clinical Coordination SME**  
M35 (CAPT Emori Moore)

**Training & Education SME**  
M71 (CDR Dana Dones)

### Introducing the NKSA PMO



#### What is the Naval Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Program Management Office (NKSA PMO)?

The NKSA PMO is a governance body with two primary functions:

1. Oversight of Naval Medical Readiness Criteria (NMRC) development, implementation, and other related efforts
2. Setting priorities for Navy Medicine activities to improve medical personnel readiness



#### Who are members of the NKSA PMO?

- BUMED M3, M5, M7, M9 (pending re-alignment)
- Office of the Corps Chiefs
- MEDFORs (LANT, PAC, SUPCMTD)

#### What is the difference between the NKSA PMO and the NMFDC?

##### The NKSA PMO is a governing body.

It sets policy for the NKSA program and leads the Naval integration with the new Defense Health Agency Joint KSA PMO

##### The NMFDC executes NKSA PMO priorities;

i.e., improving and validating the NMRC to meet Joint warfighter requirements, conducts stakeholder engagement, and facilitates communications



#### What are the NKSA PMO's priorities?

- Formalization within DTM 25.2
- Coordination and support to stand up Joint KSA PMO Working Group (draft charter in pre-coordination)
- Applicable Navy policies following signature of the Medical Readiness Skills Sustainment Regulation (ALNAV, OPNAV, MCO)
- Integration of Reserve Component requirements into NMRC
- Develop and assess Navy Medicine military-civilian partnerships\* through the lens of clinical currency and NMRC completion

\*See the “BUMED Readiness Spotlight” for more information about the TSMO partnership with CCH.



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### Readiness Win

**BLUF: Corpsman within an NMRTC SEAT identifies a training gap at an OCONUS facility and turns the situation around.**

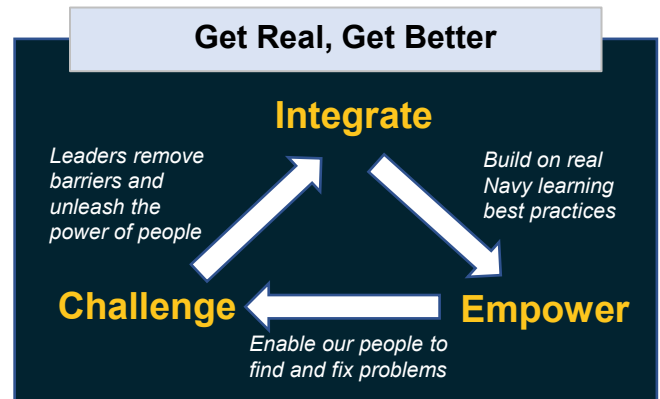
Hospital Corpsman Ethan Church's contributions to US Navy Medicine Readiness and Training Command Guantanamo Bay (US NMRTC GB) are helping medical staff keep their life-saving emergency medicine skills honed and ready.

HM Church was assigned to the Staff Education and Training (SEAT) department in October 2020. Almost immediately, he took an interest in the department's training mannequins. "When I got here, these things were useless, just negative space and only one person knew how to use them," Church said. "It started out with me just trying to figure out on my own all the things they could do."

His curiosity earned him an opportunity to undergo two weeks of formal instruction at Navy Yard Portsmouth, Virginia, where he learned to operate and use the mannequins.

Returning to US NMRTC GB, the newly trained technician set out to revive the lifeless mannequins and

give them a leading role in a variety of training scenarios including mass casualty drills, the command's quarterly Round Robin Skills Training, and during unannounced emergency drills. According to CDR Kristen Edgar, SEAT Department Head, "[Church's] ability to plan and operate training aids has been invaluable and greatly added to the successful and ever improving training for the command."



[Read the full article on DVIDS](#)

### Individual Readiness Accountability

#### NAVY MEDICINE (NAVMED) OCCUPATIONAL (OCC.) CODES



**144 (56%)**  
NAVMED occ.  
codes have  
NMRC

**5 (2%)** NAVMED  
occ. codes have  
both NMRC and  
KSA Thresholds

Individual accountability = continuous learning process, evolving over time to meet mission needs

**Ask the Editor**

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