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FEATURE: Joint Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Working Group

The Defense Health Agency is standing up a chartered Joint Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Working Group (JKSA WG) to advise, coordinate, and support joint efforts on medical personnel readiness.

- **JKSA WG Chair:** Army LTC J. Christopher Graybill, Chief of the Joint Trauma Education and Training (JTET) Branch of the Joint Trauma System (JTS)
- **Navy Representatives:** CAPT Heather Shattuck – Chief Nursing Officer (CNO), Deputy Chief Medical Officer (DCMO), and Trauma Strategy Management Office (TSMO) Lead; and Mr. John Zarkowsky – Deputy Director of BUMED N5 and NMFDC Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR)
- **First JKSA WG Meeting:** 05 December 2022

Navy Representatives



CAPT Shattuck
CNO, DCMO, and
TSMO Lead



Mr. Zarkowsky
Deputy Director,
N5, and NMFDC
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CLOSING DATA GAPS SITREP

Last month’s NMFDC Newsletter summarized the need to close known data gaps in the Naval Medical Readiness Criteria (NMRC). The NMFDC is working closely with the Trauma Strategy Management Office (TSMO) to close existing NMRC data gaps and determine the optimal data, supported by “reps and sets”, to certify individual clinical proficiency by platform.

The Expeditionary Resuscitative Surgical System (ERSS) Success Metrics Working Group—led by CAPT Christopher Lucas, CAPT Heather Shattuck, and Mr. John Zarkowsky—has been tasked by RDML Darin K. Via to determine:

1. Clinical activity requirements (i.e., “reps and sets”) specific to specialties aligned to the ERSS; and
2. A process for collecting clinical activity data to certify individual clinical proficiency

Working group deliverables include:

- Revalidated NMRC for eight ERSS specialties (DEC 22)
- List of ERSS-specific clinical activity guidelines (JAN 23)
- A BUMED Note with tactical guidance for implementing clinical activity data capture for ERSS specialties, with a focus on Tier 1 and ready-to-deploy platforms (JAN 23)
- Plan of Action for collecting clinical activity data for ERSS-aligned specialties (JAN 23)

More information on this effort will be briefed at the FOSESFOR in early December 2022.

ERSS Team Composition

General Surgeon	Emergency Medicine (EM) Physician
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	Critical Care <u>or</u> EM Nurse
Surgical Technician	Respiratory Therapy Technician
Physician Assistant	



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N5 (Mr. John Zarkowsky)

Clinical Coordination SME
N3 (CAPT Emori Moore)

Training & Education SME
N7 (Mr. Keith Staples)





SPOTLIGHT: “THE PRESS FOR TIME DURING MEDICAL EMERGENCIES”

“Reps and sets” ensure that medical personnel are prepared to respond to combat and non-combat emergencies. The article “The Press for Time During Medical Emergencies” from U.S. Fleet Forces Command describes how medical personnel aboard the USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78) used their medical training to save a life.

The medical team was able to save the Sailor’s life after providing initial medical care and using a small boat to row her to a shipyard platform where paramedics were waiting to transport her to a hospital. Grandfield, like many hospital corpsmen serving aboard the first-in-class aircraft carrier USS Gerald R. Ford’s (CVN 78) medical department, uses his past experiences to aid Sailors aboard the ship during a medical emergency.

“When we responded, all we could hear was screaming,” Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Blaine Grandfield, from Merritt, Texas, says, recalling a time a Sailor fell three stories off a scaffolding onto a floating barge while serving aboard USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72). A fractured pelvis, broken shoulder, dislocated arm and numerous other injuries were results of the fall. According to Grandfield, the Sailor was screaming as the medical team tightened the Reeves® Sleeve. “You could hear the pain in her voice. Those are the kind of things that stick with you,” added Grandfield.



[Read the full article on Navy.mil](#)

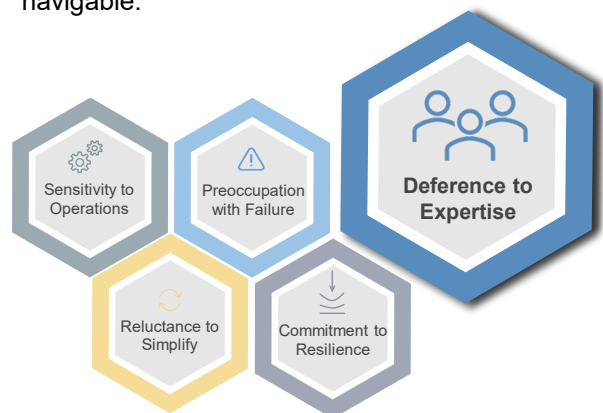
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THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
A HAPPY **247th** BIRTHDAY



GRAPHIC OF THE MONTH: DEFERENCE TO EXPERTISE

The NMFDC leverages the High Reliability Organization principle of “Deference to Expertise” by:

- Relying on Specialty Leaders, Enlisted Technical Leaders, and the Office of the Corps Chiefs as functional experts to ensure NMRC requirements are accurate, and the process is effective and navigable.



Ask the Editor

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