



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT GENERAL MARK A. EDIGER

Lieutenant General Ediger is the Surgeon General of the Air Force, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C. General Ediger serves as functional manager of the U.S. Air Force Medical Service. In this capacity, he advises the Secretary of the Air Force and Air Force Chief of Staff, as well as the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs on matters pertaining to the medical aspects of the air expeditionary force and the health of Air Force people. General Ediger has authority to commit resources worldwide for the Air Force Medical Service, to make decisions affecting the delivery of medical services, and to develop plans, programs and procedures to support worldwide medical service missions. He exercises direction, guidance and technical management of a \$5.9 billion, 44,000-person integrated health care delivery system serving 2.6 million beneficiaries at 75 military treatment facilities worldwide.



Prior to his current assignment, General Ediger served as Deputy Surgeon General, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C. where he directed clinical operations and quality of the Air Force Medical Service, aeromedical evacuation, global force management, readiness, strategic medical plans, programs and budget, medical force management and medical information systems management.

General Ediger is from Springfield, Missouri. He entered the Air Force in 1985 and has served as the Aerospace Medicine Consultant to the Air Force Surgeon General, commanded two medical groups and served as command surgeon for three major commands. He deployed in support of operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom and Southern Watch.

EDUCATION

- 1977 Bachelor's degree in chemistry, University of Missouri, Kansas City
- 1978 Doctor of Medicine degree, University of Missouri, Kansas City
- 1981 Residency in family practice, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC
- 1991 Master of Public Health degree, University of Texas School of Public Health, San Antonio, TX
- 1992 Residency in aerospace medicine, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks AFB, TX

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1986 – 1988 Chief, Family Practice, Air Transportable Hospital Commander, 1st Medical Group, Langley AFB, VA
- 1988 - 1990 Flight Surgeon and Chief, Flight Medicine, 94th Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, VA
- 1990 – 1992 Resident in Aerospace Medicine, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks AFB, TX
- 1992 – 1994 Chief, Aeromedical Services, 325th Medical Group, Tyndall AFB, FL

1994 - 1996 Chief, Aerospace Medicine Branch, and Chief, Professional Services Division, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Randolph AFB, TX
1996 - 1998 Chief, Aerospace Medicine Division, Air Force Medical Operations Agency, Bolling AFB, D.C.
1998 - 2000 Command Surgeon, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, FL
2000 - 2002 Commander, 16th Medical Group, Hurlburt Field, FL
2002 - 2003 Commander, 363rd Expeditionary Medical Group, Southwest Asia
2003 - 2007 Command Surgeon, Headquarters U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
2007 - 2008 Command Surgeon, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Randolph AFB, TX
2008 - 2012 Commander, Air Force Medical Operations Agency, Lackland AFB, TX
2012 - 2015 Deputy Surgeon General, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
2015 - present Surgeon General, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Chief flight surgeon

Flight hours: More than 800 hours, including 90 combat support hours and 38 combat hours

Aircraft: C-130, MH-53, F-15, T-38 and KC-135

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Distinguished Service Medal

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Bronze Star Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

1982 American Board of Family Practice (most recent recertification in 2015)

1992 Aerospace Medicine, American Board of Preventive Medicine

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Major 28 April 1986

Lieutenant Colonel 28 April 1992

Colonel 28 April 1998

Brigadier General 14 April 2008

Major General 13 July 2012

Lieutenant General 5 June 2015

(Current as of 8 Jun 15)