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### I MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE ORDER 6300.1

From: Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force  
To: Distribution List

Subj: I MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE MEDICAL TRAINING ORDER

Ref: (a) MCO P3500.75  
(b) OPNAVINST 6320.7A  
(c) BUMEDINST 6440.5C  
(d) MARADMIN 363/06

Encl: (1) Training Matrix: Officers  
(2) Training Matrix: Enlisted  
(3) List of Acronyms and Abbreviations  
(4) Medical Training Tracking Matrix

#### 1. Situation

a. Per references (a), (b), and (c) there is no holistic approach to medical training of Navy personnel assigned to the Marine Corps. Current operational requirements and Navy medical sourcing necessitate thorough training and preparation before deploying our medical department officers and corpsmen into a combat environment. Examples of recent new training challenges include providing Navy Corpsmen (HM's) to support provisional units such as Military, Police, and Border Training Teams (TT's) and the recent merger of the Navy Rates of Hospitalman (HM) and Dental Technician (DT). These changes pose challenges to train medical personnel to fill roles not previously anticipated. No job-specific training requirements exist for Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) Surgeons, despite significant medical planning and unpredictable operational medical challenges inherent in the execution of their duties.

b. This order addresses training deficiencies for medical department officers and hospital corpsmen by directing training courses, classroom instruction, and practical application for all Navy medical personnel assigned to I MEF. The direction herein may serve as a model for preparing Navy medical personnel for deployment and combat tours. This order will not preclude additional platform-specific training, such as provided by the 1st Medical BN (e.g. MATEX training, or Navy Trauma Training Center). This order will not address existing entry-level training requirements such as Flight Surgeon training, Undersea Medical Officer training, or field medical technician training [to attain the NEC 8404] at the Field Medical Training Battalion.

2. Mission. Provide Navy medical personnel assigned to I MEF with the skills and knowledge required to optimally provide health service support to the operating forces, to teach TCCC and CLS, and to minimize the loss of life, limb, and morbidity due to combat related trauma, disease and non-battle injury associated with the rigors of operational and combat duty.

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### 3. Execution

#### a. Commander's Intent

(1) Purpose. To ensure that all Navy medical personnel assigned to I MEF are fully trained and prepared for the challenges of deployment and combat operations. The creation of a cohesive approach to training our medical brethren directly impacts our cohesion, readiness and combat effectiveness.

(2) Method. Training will be provided using existing TECOM, BUMED, NOMI, DOD and I MEF operational medical courses and using existing funds. When necessary, I MEF will provide additional funds to accomplish this mission.

b. Concept of Operations. This order supports the I MEF Lines of Operation: Taking Care of Marines and Sailors. Under the management of the I MEF Surgeon, each Major Subordinate Command (MSC) will establish their own Medical Training Section to manage the assignment and training of medical personnel per enclosures (1) and (2). Other I MEF elements (ATG and MEU) will ensure that assigned medical personnel attend the training outlined in their respective tasks. Any training course developed and executed for internal MSC use will be tailored to meet their requirements and leverage Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton (NHCP) and other Marine Corps and Navy medical training resources to the maximum extent.

#### (1) Tasks

(a) MSC's establish a Medical Training Section, which is staffed, funded, and equipped with sufficient resources to comply with this order. Direct Navy medical department officers ordered to MSC's to complete the following required courses within six months of assignment to the command, or prior to deployment, whichever occurs first:

1. Combat Casualty Care Course (C-4) (for clinicians only).
2. Field Medical Service Officer (FMSO) course (all Navy Medical Department Officers). The C-4 course is a one-time requirement. Officers who have previously served a tour in a Marine Corps billet are exempt from the FMSO course requirement.

(b) MSC's ensure that each newly assigned corpsman has attended the following courses within six months of assignment to I MEF, but in any case prior to deployment OCONUS:

1. Three day Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) and Combat Life Saver (CLS) "train the Trainer" course at FMTB East or West.
2. Ten day Combat Trauma Management (CTM) course or Operational Emergency Medical Skills (OEMS) course, scheduled through either the 1st Marine Division or 1st Marine Logistics Group Surgeon's Office, or an equivalent course, as certified the MSC Surgeon).



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3. Minimum of five days of instruction in operational preventive medicine and sick call skills instruction. Each MSC will develop a Sick-call Screener and Preventive Medicine Representative course to suit its own requirements.

(c) MSC's ensure refresher/sustainment training for CLS (Marines) and TCCC (corpsmen) is completed every two years or within three months of deployments. In accordance with reference (d), battalion/squadron commanders will develop policy to train at least two Combat Life Savers per Table of Organization corpsman. Ensure that each newly assigned corpsman has attended the following courses within six months of assignment to I MEF, but in any case prior to deployment OCONUS:

1. Three day Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) and Combat Life Saver (CLS) "train the Trainer" course at FMTB East or West.

2. Ten day Combat Trauma Management (CTM) course or Operational Emergency Medical Skills (OEMS) course, scheduled through either the 1st Marine Division or 1st Marine Logistics Group Surgeon's Office, or an equivalent course, as certified the MSC Surgeon).

3. Minimum of five days of instruction in operational preventive medicine and sick call skills instruction.

(d) MSC's ensure fiscal management to determine, with assistance and input from their MSC Surgeons, and in the case of the 1st MLG from the Commanding Officers of 1st Medical Battalion, 1st Dental Battalion, and 1st Medical Logistics Company, the following:

1. The annual training budget requirements to cover the cost of attendance at operational medicine courses by HM's and Navy Medical Department Officers, not already funded by other organizations (see Para 4.b).

2. Provide to the I MEF Comptroller, broken down by Organic and GWOT funding, any deficiencies generated by the incremental increase in training requirements to this new standard above and beyond existing medical training budgets.

3. Submit total medical training funding requirements for each budget year hereafter to I MEF Comptroller.

## (2) Subordinate Element Missions

(a) Commanding General, 1st Marine Logistics Group: Direct the Commanding Officers of the 1st Medical and Dental Battalions, and 1st Medical Logistics Company to ensure that Navy medical department officers ordered to the 1st MLG (officers with Permanent Change of Station orders and HSAP personnel) complete the following required courses within six months of assignment to the command, or prior to deployment, whichever occurs first:

1. Combat Casualty Care Course (C-4) (for clinicians only).

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2. Field Medical Service Officer (FMSO) course all (clinical) Navy Medical Department Officers. The C-4 course and FMSO courses are one-time requirements. Officers who have previously served a tour in a Marine Corps billet are exempt from the FMSO course requirement.

(b) Marine Expeditionary Unit Commanders

1. Direct that medical officers assigned as MEU Surgeons attend:

a. The USAF Global Medicine Course, or equivalent training [funding via Navy Medicine Manpower, Personnel, Education and Training Command (NAVMED MPT&E)].

b. The Commander Amphibious Task Force (CATF) Surgeon Course [funding via NOMI].

c. The Medical Regulating/Patient Movement course. Notify the I MEF Surgeon if deployment time-lines are anticipated to preclude the attendance of the MEU Surgeon at either CATF Surgeons Course or USAF Global Medicine Course.

2. Direct Medical Service Corps Officers or Chief Petty Officers assigned as the MEU Medical Planner or Assistant MEU Medical Planner to attend:

a. Plans, Operations, and Medical Intelligence Course (POMIC) [funded via NAVMED, MPT&E].

b. Patient Movement/Medical Regulating Course [funded via NOMI].

(c) OIC, I MEF Training and Experimentation Group (TEG)

1. Establish a medical training section and provide sufficient training resources to conduct Combat Life Saver (CLS) training for all Marines attached to Transition Teams (TT's).

2. Direct all Navy Corpsmen assigned to TT's become certified as TCCC/CLS Instructors via the FMTBN-West or East.

3. Focus on training of TT HM's in the subjects of Sick-call Screener and Preventive Medicine. Corpsmen assigned to TT's should attend OEMS or CTM courses scheduled by the 1st Marine Division or 1st MLG Medical Training sections.

(d) I MEF Surgeon

1. Coordinate and manage execution of the MEF Medical Training Program.

2. If, because of deployment timelines, attendance of the new MEU Surgeon at either the CATF Surgeon's course or the USAF Global Medicine Course is precluded, identify equivalent alternate training and ensure that the new MEU Surgeon receives the special training.



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3. Request from TECOM that adequate numbers of course seats for FMSO and CLS/TCCC "Train the Trainer" be made available to I MEF students.

c. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Required training matrix: see enclosures (1) and (2). For a description of the courses, see enclosure (3). Instructions as to how to enroll in the courses are embedded in enclosure (4).

(2) Enclosure (4) is the medical training tracking tool which shall be used by each MSC Surgeon and Commanding Officer of the 1st Medical, Dental Battalions and 1st Medical Logistics Company, and I MHG Surgeon. MSC Surgeons and Commanding Officers of the 1st Medical Battalion, 1st Dental Battalion, and 1st Medical Logistics Company are responsible for tracking the training of their assigned Navy medical personnel.

(3) Commanding Officers will insure that all organic Navy medical personnel are in compliance with this training order within 6 months of assignment to I MEF, or in the case of 1<sup>st</sup> MLG and 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division HSAP personnel, prior to deployment OCONUS.

(4) Resources to teach the PMR and Sick-call Screener Course are available from the Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton, Naval Hospital 29 Palms, and Naval Regional Medical Center San Diego, Naval Environmental Preventive Medicine Unit-5, San Diego, and the Naval Operational Medical Institute (NOMI).

(5) FMTBN is designated by reference (d) to train the CLS and TCCC trainers. The FMTBN's are the only trainers authorized to facilitate the CLS/TCCC Instructor Course. All graduates of the TCCC/CLS "Train the Trainer" course will receive standardized training material. FMTBN will develop and maintain all lesson plans, media and examinations and disseminate updates to all units as required. As required, FMTBN will disseminate updates to the designated training sections within the MEF, e.g. Division, Wing, and Group Surgeons' Offices. CLS sustainment training for Marines is currently found on Marine On Line (MOL).

4. Administration and Logistics

a. Funding

(1) The following courses are funded by BUMED, NAVMED MPT&E, NOMI, PERS, or TECOM:

(a) CATF Surgeon's Course: NOMI

(b) POMI Course: NAVMED MPT&E

(c) Patient Movement/Medical Regulating Course: NOMI

(d) C-4 Course: NOMI or NAVMED MPT&E

(e) FMSO Course: PERS, if ordered en route to I MEF in conjunction with Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders; otherwise I MEF.

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(f) TCCC/CLS "Train the trainer" course: TECOM

(2) Funding for other courses such as OEMS, CTM, sick-call screener, preventive medicine representative course, and FMSO course [for those officers not funded to attend this course by PERS in conjunction with PCS orders (i.e. 1st Medical BN HSAP officers)] will be funded by I MEF via each MSC. Each MSC comptroller will prepare a medical training budget and submit annually to the I MEF comptroller to cover funding for attendance of HM's and Navy Officers at the above courses. I MEF Comptroller will budget funds to cover these costs and distribute funds quarterly to the MSC's, as outlined above in 3.d.8.


b. Officer of Primary Responsibility is the I MEF Surgeon.

5. Command and Signal

a. Command. This order is applicable to all Marines and Sailors assigned to I MEF and it's major subordinate commands.

b. Signal. This order is effective the date signed.

6. Endstate. All deploying Navy medical personnel fully trained and prepared for combat tours; Navy medical personnel integrated into realistic predeployment training with supported units; Mortality and morbidity among casualties minimized.

  
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	FMSO	C-4	NAMI	CATF	NUMI	USAF Global Med (or equivalent)	POMI	Medical Regulating
Navy Med. Dept. Officers	x	X (clinicians only)						
Flight Surgeons	x	x	x					
MEU Surgeons	x	x		x		x		x
Diving Medical Officers	x	x			x			
Medical Planners	X						x	x



N.B. Attendance at Field Medical Training Battalion and earning the NEC 8404 is a one-time requirement. TCCC (for corpsmen) and CLS (for Marines) should be repeated every two years. OEMS, CTM, and/or Sick-call Screener/PMR course may be repeated at the discretion of the unit commander.

	FMTBN	TCCC/CLS Train the Trainer	OEMS or CTM	Sick- call Screener and PMR	POMI	Medical Regulating
All HM's	x	x	x	x		
Enlisted MEU Planners	x	x	x	x	x	x



BUMED: Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, DC

CATF: Commander Amphibious Task Force; this 10-day course is taught at SWMI, San Diego, CA is a requirement to serve as the Amphibious Ready Group Surgeon

CLS: Combat Life-saver course; a 3-4 day course taught at each battalion/squadron to selected Marines

CTM: Combat Trauma Management course; a 10-day course for HM's developed by the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division and 1<sup>st</sup> MLG

FMSO course: Field Medical Service Officer course; a 10-day course taught at FMTBN East and West for Navy officers newly assigned to the USMC. "Marine Corps 101"

FMTBN: Field Medical Training Battalions-East (Camp Lejeune, NC) and West (Camp Pendleton, CA); these battalions are in the TECOM chain of command

HM: Navy Hospitalman (corpsman)

HSAP: Health Service Augmentation Program; see BUMEDINST 6440.5C

MATEX: MAP Augmentation Training Exercise, offered bi-annually by the Medical Battalion to training its HSAP personnel; usually 6-12 days in length covering blocks 1-4 pre-deployment training

MCO: Marine Corps Order

MEF: Marine Expeditionary Force

MEU: Marine Expeditionary Unit

MHG: MEF Headquarters Group

MSC: Major Subordinate Command (e.g. Division, Wing, and Group)

NAMI: Naval Aerospace Medicine Institute, Pensacola, FL, a sub-agency of NOMI

NAVMEC MPT&E: Naval Medicine Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education Command, Bethesda, MD

NEC: Naval Enlisted Classification (e.g. 8404 = Field Medical technician)

NOBC: Naval Officer Billet Code (e.g. 0110 = Flight Surgeon; 0107 = diving medical officer)

NOMI: Naval Operational Medicine Institute, Pensacola, FL

NUMI: Naval Undersea Medicine Institute, Groton, CT, a sub-agency of NOMI

OEMS: Operational Emergency Medical Skills course; a 10-day contractor-taught course taught at I MEF and II MEF

PCS: Permanent Change of Station

PERS: Navy Personnel Command, Millington, TN

POMI: Plans, Operations, and Medical Intelligence course; a 10-day course taught at NAVMED MPT&E, Bethesda, MD

TECOM: USMC Training and Education Command, Quantico, VA

SWMI: Surface Warfare Medicine Institute, San Diego, CA, a sub-agency of NOMI

TCCC: Tactical Combat Casualty Course (identified by MARADMIN 363/06 as the sustainment training for all HM's holding the NEC 8404, to be repeated every three years)

USAF Global Medicine Course: a 10-day course designed to teach junior medical officers the basics of deployment medicine, parasitology, medical intelligence, medical threat analysis and mitigation, and preparation of medical threat briefs. Taught at the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, San Antonio, TX





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