



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL (Dr.) TERESA O. BISNETT

Col. Teresa O. Bisnett serves as the Command Surgeon United States Air Forces Central Command and Ninth Air Force, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. In this role, she is responsible for comprehensive medical support for Coalition forces at eight contingency operating locations and international health engagements across 20 countries throughout the Central Command Area of Responsibility.

A native of Albany, N.Y., Colonel Bisnett was commissioned under the Health Profession Scholarship Program. Following post graduate training in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, she served in these specialties at U.S. Naval Hospital Okinawa while assigned to Kadena AB, Japan and then at Malcolm Grow Medicine Center at Andrews AFB, Md. She has maintained triple board certification in Pulmonary (recertified in 2004 and 2014), Critical Care (recertified in 2007) and Sleep Medicine (certified in 2007) by the American Board of Internal Medicine. In 1999, she began an eight-year break in service due to a family illness during which time she owned a private Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine practice. In 2007, she was recommissioned into the U.S. Air Force.



Colonel Bisnett has deployed as the Intensive Care Unit Director and sole theater pulmonologist at Joint Base Balad, Iraq, as the CCATT liaison, Camp Bastion, Afghanistan, and as the Commander, 455th Expeditionary Medical Operations Squadron and Chief of the Medical Staff, 455th Expeditionary Medical Group, Craig Joint Theater Hospital (CJTH), Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. CJTH was the busiest Role III trauma hospital serving Operation Enduring Freedom and the strategic aeromedical evacuation hub for the theater. She has also served as a home station Chief of the Medical Staff, Medical Operations Squadron Commander, Medical Group Deputy Commander and a hospital Medical Group Commander.

EDUCATION

1987 Bachelor of Science, Biology, *magna cum laude*, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N.Y.

1989 Doctor of Medicine (MD) *cum laude*, Albany Medical College, Albany, N.Y.

1992 Residency in Internal Medicine, Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center, Lackland AFB, Texas

1995 Fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center, Lackland AFB, Texas

2008 Critical Care Air Transport, Primary and Advanced Courses

2008 Air War College, correspondence
2015 Interagency Institute for Federal Healthcare Executives

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1989 - June 1995, Internal Medicine Residency and Pulmonary, Critical Care Medicine Fellowship, Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. June 1995 - August 1998, Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician, 18th Medical Operations Squadron, Kadena AB, Japan
3. August 1998 - September 1999, Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician, 89th Medical Operations Squadron, Malcolm Grow Medical Center, Andrews AFB, Md.
4. June 2007 - September 2008, Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Physician, 59th Medical Operations Squadron, Lackland AFB, Texas
5. October 2008 - June 2010, Chief of Medical Staff, 59th Inpatient Operations Group, Lackland AFB, Texas
6. July 2010 - June 2013, Commander, 579th Medical Operations Squadron, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C.
7. July 2012 - June 2013, Deputy Commander, 579th Medical Group, Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, Washington, D.C.
8. June 2013 - March 2014, Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine Physician, 88th Medical Group, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
9. March 2014 - July 2016, Commander, 673d Medical Group, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
10. July 2016 - present, Command Surgeon, AFCENT, Shaw AFB, S.C.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border
Iraqi Campaign Medal
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with two devices

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2011-2014 Pulmonary and Sleep Medicine Consultant to the Air Force Surgeon General
2010 AFDW Clinical Excellence Field Grade Officer Award
2009-2010 Assistant Program Director, Sleep Medicine Fellowship, 59th Medical Wing
2009 Excellence in Clinical and Academic Teaching Special Experience Identifier

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Captain June 10, 1989
Major May 19, 1995
Lieutenant Colonel June 14, 2007
Colonel June 14, 2013

(Current as of July 2016)