



**AIR FORCE MEDICAL OPERATIONS AGENCY
(AFMOA)**

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1. Mission. The Air Force Medical Operations Agency (AFMOA) improves the combat effectiveness of the Department of Defense (DoD) through improved health, human performance, and protection of the DoD work force and environment from disease, injury, and potentially hazardous exposures. AFMOA is the Surgeon General's primary focal point for plans, practices, procedures, and programs in aerospace medicine (including operational and flight medicine, public health, and bioenvironmental engineering), clinical investigations, radiation protection, clinical quality management, family advocacy, and health promotions for the Air Force Medical Service.

2. Command. The AFMOA Commander:

- 2.1. Is responsible to the Air Force Surgeon General for medical operational policies and practices.
- 2.2. Commands personnel assigned to the AFMOA.
- 2.3. Provides support to the Air Staff, Department of Defense, major commands, other federal agencies, and external civilian medical and research organizations on behalf of AFMS interests.

3. Responsibilities. The AFMOA Commander:

- 3.1. Develops plans, practices and procedures to ensure a fit USAF fighting force.
- 3.2. Directs clinical activities necessary to meet the requirements of Congressionally mandated DoD health care benefits entitlements.
- 3.3. Directs clinical quality improvements and risk management programs.
- 3.4. Provides administration and regulation (licensing, possession, use, storage, handling, and disposal) of all radioactive material, except for that in nuclear weapons and other exempted systems, used by the Air Force.

3.5. Provides the central focal point for USAF human and animal research, and international standardization/exchange research programs.

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