934 AEROMEDICAL EVACUATION SQUADRON



MISSION

934 Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron mission is to deploy aeromedical evacuation crews highly trained and equipped to provide in-flight medical care aboard mission directed aircraft used to airlift patients. To deploy highly trained aeromedical operations personnel to provide operational support and mission management at aerial ports supporting aeromedical evacuation operations. To deploy highly trained aeromedical crew management personnel to provide operational management of attached, assigned and transiting aeromedical crews at aerial ports supporting aeromedical evacuation operations.

The present unit strength is approximately 23 officers and 59 enlisted troops. The skills required to meet the mission include nurses and medical technicians, Medical Service Corp officers, health service administration, radio operators, and medical supply specialists. Most 934 AES members are traditional reservists, serving in the military on a part-time basis, taking time out from their families and civilian jobs to participate one weekend a month and two weeks of annual training each year. The flyers come in extra in order to do training missions at least once a month. Augmenting the traditional reserve force is a team of four full-time Air Reserve Technicians.

LINEAGE

934 Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron constituted, 9 Sep 1994 Activated in the Reserve, 1 Oct 1994

STATIONS

Minneapolis-St Paul ARS, MN, 1 Oct 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

934 Operations Group

COMMANDERS

Maj Cleo L. Bonham, 28 Feb 2001 Col Matthew T. Hendell, 26 Apr 2016

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (1 Oct) 1994-30 Jun 1996 30 Sep 1998-1 Oct 2000 1 Sep 2002-31 Aug 2004 1 Sep 2005-31 Aug 2007

EMBLEM

Azure, a demi-globe axis bendwise sinister issuant from dexter base Silver Gray gridlined Or, charged with a winged caduceus Gules; in sinister chief nine mullets Argent, one uppermost of four Yellow in constellation form entouring a Viking head couped void of the field outlined and detailed Silver Gray; all within a diminished bordure of the third. Attached above the disc a Gray scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border. Attached below the disc a Gray scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "DENY DEATH'S VICTORY" in Yellow letters. SIGNIFICANCE: Blue and yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The demi-globe reflects the unit's high state of readiness for rapid deployment anywhere in the world. The winged caduceus implies the unit's commitment to the medical profession. The arrangement of stars suggests a constellation in the form of a Viking signifying the strength and character of the unit personnel. The yellow star symbolizes the North Star and pertains to navigation which is important in the removal of injured personnel. (Approved, 25 Jun 1996)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

During their CY 2020 deployment to fight COVID-19 AES personnel were involved in fielding

the specialized Transport Isolation System (TIS) and expanding its capabilities. Originally implemented during the Ebola virus outbreak in 2014, AES helped to expand its mission to include other High Consequence Infection Diseases formats, in this case COVID-19. Because the American footprint across the globe is so large, the mission set of AES expanded from traditional aeromedical evacuation to large-scale biocontainment operations. Specifically, the transport of infected COVID-19 patients required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and patient care under extreme conditions but also decontamination and isolation of aircraft and crew, and the development of training to reflect new and emerging Tactics Techniques and Procedures (TTPs) in real time from the field.

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Sources

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