

# 17 OPERATIONAL MEDICAL READINESS SQUADRON



## MISSION

## LINEAGE

17 Medical Operations Squadron

Activated, 27 Sep 1994

Redesignated 17 Operational Medical Readiness Squadron, 15 Aug 2019

## STATIONS

Goodfellow AFB, TX

## ASSIGNMENTS

17 Medical Group

## COMMANDERS

## HONORS

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jul 1995 - 30 Jun 1997

1 Jul 1997 - 30 Jun 1999

1 Jul 2001 - 30 Jun 2003

1 Jul 2003 - 30 Jun 2005  
1 Jul 2007 - 30 Jun 2009  
1 Jul 2009 - 30 Jun 2011  
1 Jul 2011 - 30 Jun 2013  
1 Jul 2013 - 30 Jun 2015  
1 Jul 2015 - 30 Jun 2017

## **EMBLEM**

Ultramarine blue and Air Force 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 mountains represent the endurance of the Squadron's mission. The desert hawk in flight denotes the vigilance required by all members of the Squadron as they execute that mission. It soars from high above, keeping vigilant watch over the land for its prey, much as the Squadron is constantly vigilant against death and disease. The red cross, the universal symbol of health care, serves to illustrate clearly the medical nature of the mission, which is to provide optimized healthcare. The motto is "UNITY VIGILANCE ENDURANCE." Unity speaks to the exemplary collaboration among all six flights of the Squadron carrying out its mission; vigilance stands for the constant watchfulness against death and disease; and endurance refers to the fact that the Squadron has persisted against all odds since its activation and that all its members work tirelessly until the mission is completed. The Squadron has improved and saved lives by exercising these values. (Approved, 2 Jul 2016)

## **MOTTO**

Unity, Vigilance, Endurance

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

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## **Sources**

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