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COMMANDING OFFICER'S PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

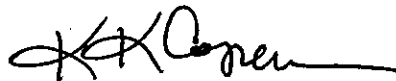
U.S. Naval Hospital, Okinawa is part of the Military Health System, the world's premier medical system designed to support the Nation's warfighters. This Command is comprised of forward staged elite medical forces, we stand ready to execute the mission. Our mission is to "enable readiness and wellness while providing safe, accessible, high-quality, patient centered care." We align to the Surgeon General's priorities People, Platforms, Performance, and Defense Health Agency's mission to "support our Nation by improving health and building readiness – making extraordinary experiences ordinary and exceptional outcomes routine". Together, we will focus on the following:

Readiness First. Readiness is why we exist and must be the focus of everything we do as a military health care organization. To do this, we must take care of the facility, our teammates, and ourselves. This is foundational to individual and collective resilience under pressure, action, and speed of recovery within our integrated system. Unit cohesion is critical to the mission and our collective success in the provision of medical services.

Professional Excellence Always. We are all leaders and ambassadors of this great nation, and we will set the example here and at home. We show up, we execute, and we train to the top of our technical skillsets. We are mindful of our actions whether on or off duty and align to our Service's core values, our professional oaths, and ethical standards. We have the courage to speak up and help others to do the right thing. We are empowered to work to the speed of the problem leveraging data and the intellectual acumen of all members of the team, regardless of rank, race, gender, color, religion, sex, national origin, or sexual orientation. We seek first to understand, communicate, and solve problems by employing critical thinking, exploring solutions, and making informed decisions at all levels.

Respect. We will work hard to earn respect, trust, and confidence of all who cross our paths, both up and down the chain of command, to those whom we provide care within the walls of the hospital, the operating forces, and our network host nation partners.

It is an honor to serve as your Commanding Officer and I am committed to earning your respect, trust, and confidence every day.



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