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CSM Aplin selected for top AMEDD enlisted job

Command Sergeant Major (CSM) James M. Aplin is the new MEDCOM CSM and Senior Enlisted Advisor to The Surgeon General, LTG James B. Peake. He was formerly CSM for Great Plains Regional Medical Command and Brooke Army Medical Center. He has a Master of Arts Degree in Human Resource Management from Hawaii Pacific University and is a 1992 graduate of the Sergeants Major Academy.

During his 25-year career, CSM Aplin has served with distinction in enlisted leadership positions from Squad Leader to CSM. Positions held include Medic, Operating Room Noncommissioned Officer-in-Charge, Surgical Technology Instructor, Platoon Sergeant, First Sergeant, Battalion CSM, Brigade-level CSM, and CSM, Pacific Regional Medical Command.

Command Sergeant Major Aplin's assignments include duty at the 4th Combat Support Hospital and USA MEDDAC, Fort McClellan, Alabama; AMEDDC&S and Brook Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Madigan Army Medical

Center, Fort Lewis, Washington; 21st Combat Support Hospital, Fort Hood, Texas, USA MEDDAC, West Point, New York, 97th General Hospital, and 51st Combat Support Hospital, Frankfurt, Germany, and Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii.



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Command Sergeant Major Aplin's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal with seven Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal (8th Award), Noncommissioned Officer's Development Ribbon with numeral 4, National Defense Service Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon; and Overseas Service Ribbon with numeral 3. Command Sergeant Major Aplin was recognized as Fort McClellan, TRADOC Soldier of the Year in 1997 and is a recipient of the Order of Military Medical Merit.

Medical Correspondence Courses go Internet

You can now enroll in medical correspondence courses on the Internet at website: atrrs.army.mil. A course catalog is provided in the upper right corner to review available courses and their prerequisites. Medical correspondence courses are easily found under school code 555. Copy the exact number and title of course desired, return to the Army Training Requirements and Resources System (ATRRS) homepage, and submit an application. Scroll down the right side under channels for SELF-DEVELOPMENT. Click on it for the application form and follow on-screen instructions. If applications are submitted correctly, soldiers will receive an e-mail message that materials will be mailed within 2 weeks. This message is from ATRRS, not the AMEDDC&S. Soldiers enrolled in a medical course will receive a notice of enrollment from Nonresident Instruction Branch, Fort Sam Houston, TX.

Applications submitted through ATRRS build a soldier's Army academic record as the correspondence courses will be filed with all other formal training under completions and non-completions. **NOTE:** E-mail requests for assistance with correspondence courses can now be acquired from a centralized "person." The address, monitored daily, is accp@amedd.army.mil. **Contact:** Nonresident Instruction Branch, 1-800-344-2380, DSN 471-5877, or (210) 221-5877.

AMEDDC&S Course Recognized

The National Association of Orthopedic Technologists (NAOT) has designated the Orthopedic Specialty Course, Department of Medical Science, Academy of Health Sciences, as a NAOT Recognized Program. There is no official accreditation for Orthopedic Specialty schools, but there are only a very small number of schools in the U.S. that are Officially Recognized. This recognition is due to the contributions of all Army, Navy, and Air Force instructors. **Contact:** LTC Morris, Chief, Physician Extenders Branch, DSN 421-4310 or (210) 295-4320.

ARTEP update

Several ARTEP Mission Training Plans (MTPs) have been developed in support of the Medical Reengineering Initiative (MRI). The MTPs listed below and other training plans (25 MTPs/2 Drill Books) are available from the General Dennis J. Reimer Digital Library. The web page address is <http://155.217.58.58>.

ARTEP 8-449(MRI)-30-MTP	Medical Company, Ground Ambulance	18 May 00
ARTEP 8-456(MRI)-30-MTP	Headquarters Detachment, Area Support Medical Battalion	13 Mar 00
ARTEP 8-478(MRI)-30-MTP	Dental Company, Area Support	24 Jul 00
ARTEP 8-488(MRI)-30-MTP	Medical Logistics Company, Logistics Support Company, & Blood Support Detachment	06 Sep 00
ARTEP 8-855(MRI)-30-MTP	Combat Support Hospital	07 Jun 00

After reviewing the MTPs, please complete the short web-based survey at <http://www.cs.amedd.army.mil/easb/tds.htm>. The data collected will help make positive changes in the development of future training products and validate existing products. **Contact:** ARTEP Branch, DSN 471-2672, (210) 221-2672, or e-mail crescenciana.garza@amedd.army.mil.

MOS 91K M4 ASI course

The 311-M4 Blood Donor Center Operations course is two-phased Additional Skill Identifier (ASI) training that provides students the knowledge and skills required to operate a blood donor center activity. Phase I (course numbers MD0867 and MD0868) is a correspondence course. Phase II is a 2-week resident course available through the blood donor centers at Fort Hood (School Code 839), Fort Knox (School Code 843), BAMC (School Code 830), EAMC (School Code 831), MAMC (School Code 834), TAMC (School Code 835), WRAMC (School Code 836), and WAMC (School Code 860).

The course is open to active Army (E-5 nonpromotable or below) and Reserve component personnel (E6 or below) who meet the following:

- Must be graduates of the 311-91K, Medical Laboratory Technician course.
- Must have completed Phase I correspondence courses MD0867 and MD0868.
- Should attend Phase II within 12 months of completing Phase I. Phase I information will be applied and tested in Phase II.

To apply for Phase I, complete DA Form 145 and forward to: DEPARTMENT OF ACADEMIC SUPPORT, ATTN MCCS HSN, 2105 11TH STREET, STE 4191, FORT SAM HOUSTON TX 78234-6199. FAX: DSN 471-4012 or (210) 221-4012. Unit must apply for Phase I correspondence course using School Code 081 under ATRRS. After Phase I completion, the student is issued a letter of eligibility for use in applying through normal command channels for the Phase II resident course. Additional Phase II information can be found at www.perscom.army.mil/ephelthsr/91km41.htm.

For information concerning Phase I applications, **contact:** Nonresident Instruction Branch, 1-800-344-2380, DSN 471-3611, or (210) 221-3611. For technical or course content information, **contact:** SSG(P) Jorge Lopez, Department of Clinical Support Services, DSN 471-7685 or (210) 221-7685.

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Professional Postgraduate Short Course Program FY 01 Courses

Course Title	Crs Number	Dates	Location	Proj Off	DSN
Primary Enlisted Corps Short Courses					
PO&T Short Crs	300-A0706	25-30 Mar 01	Dallas, TX	SFC Barilla	761-4188
Med Log En Short Crs 42E/71G/76J/91A	300-A0710	7-11 May 01	San Antonio, TX	SGM Tention	471-6264
Chief Ward Master 91C Short Crs	300-A0712	12-15 Mar 01	San Antonio, TX	MSG Williams	429-5509
En update for the LPN (91C)	300-A0713	6-9 Aug 01	El Paso, TX	SFC Groover	979-2056
MEDCOM CSM/SGM/Sr NCO Short Crs	340-A0715	8-13 Apr 01	San Antonio, TX	SGM Stuard	471-6710
En Clinical Sup Short Crs 91K/91P/91Q	300-A0716	12-15 Jun 01	San Antonio, TX	SFC Clayburn	471-8158
En Quotas in Other Courses					
Hosp Educators Crs	6E-300/A0526	30 Jul-3 Aug 01	San Antonio, TX	COL Harris	471-8231
Med Lab Sciences (TRI-SVC)	6H-300/A0412	7-11 Apr 01	Houston, TX	MSG Morales	471-7674
Joint Field Nutr Op Crs	6H-300/A0619	3-11 May 01	Camp Bullis, TX	MAJ Wheeler	471-3284
Mgt of Combat Stress Casualties	6H-300/A0620	7-18 May 01	Camp Bullis, TX	MAJ Harrison-Weaver	471-5324

Request for attendance **MUST** be sent NLT 60 days before the start date of requested course. *Active Component* soldiers apply by submitting DA Form 3838 to: DEPT OF HEALTH ED & TNG, ATTN MCCS HEI CDR AMEDDC&S, 1750 GREELEY RD STE 205, FT SAM HOUSTON TX 78234-5075. FAX DSN 471-2832 or (210) 221-2832. *Army National Guard* soldiers apply on National Guard Bureau (NGB) Form 64, or contact MSG Eisenbart, NGB Surgeon's Office at DSN 327-7145, (703) 607-7145, FAX (703) 607-7187, or e-mail: richard.eisenbart@ngb-armg.ngb.army.mil. *Army Reserve* soldiers apply through unit training channels on DA Form 1058 to: ARPERSCOM, ATTN ARPC HS OPS SSG POPE, 1 RESERVE WAY, ST LOUIS MO 63132-5200. Phone (314) 592-0444, 1-800-325-4729 option 8, FAX (314) 592-0435, or e-mail donald.kositzke@arpstl.army.mil. **Contact:** Project Officer or AMEDDC&S Program Manager, DSN 471-0144, (210) 221-0144, FAX DSN 471-2832, (210) 221-2832, or e-mail dale.turner@cen.amedd.army.mil.

Honorary Colonel and Sergeant Major appointed

Lieutenant General James B. Peake, Army Surgeon General and Commander of the AMEDD Regiment, has appointed COL Frank H. Novier, U.S. Army Retired, as the Honorary Colonel and Sergeant Major Oscar Ramos-Rivera, U.S. Army Retired, as the Honorary Sergeant Major. Effective 16 Jan 01, both have agreed to serve 3-year terms and will assist in fostering loyalty and commitment, perpetuating the history and traditions of the Regiment, and improving unit esprit while at the same time institutionalizing the warfighting ethos.

Colonel T.R. Byrne, U.S. Army Retired, is the outgoing Honorary Colonel and Sergeant Major Julius Bennett, U.S. Army Retired, is the outgoing Honorary Sergeant Major. **Contact:** LTC Mahony, Regimental Office, DSN 471-8455 or (210) 221-8455.

Practical Nurse program update

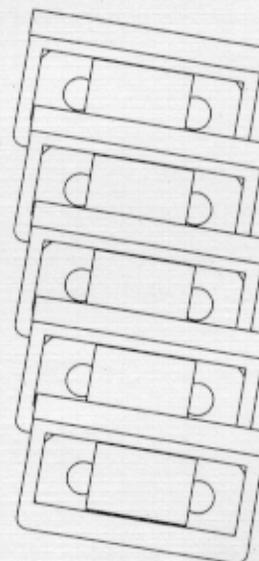
The Practical Nurse Course continues to accept qualified students for the 91C MOS during FY01. Applicants that meet prerequisites, as stated in the ATRRS Course Administrative Data, are urged to apply for training. After 1 Oct 01, the course will become 300-M6, an Additional Skill Identifier to MOS 91W. Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) will have an even greater opportunity for a rewarding career with increased responsibility as they grow in experience, knowledge, and rank. The roles and responsibilities of LPNs will always be a vital asset to military medicine.

The educational program is challenging and graduates will have met the qualifications needed to sit for the Texas State licensure examination. An LPN license from any state enables soldiers to practice vocational nursing worldwide. For more information, **contact:** SFC Rodney Robertson, Department of Nursing Science, DSN 471-8454 or (210) 221-8454.

AMEDD videotapes available

The following videotapes are available for use in your unit training through the Internet at <http://dodimagery.afis.osd.mil> where you can place your order. They are also available at your supporting Training Support Center or Visual Information Support Center. This list contains the production identification number, title, and running time:

- 708576 Venomous Insects, Arthropods & Animals, 09:44
- 709819 Basic Principles of Arthropod Surveys: Larval Mosquitoes, 20:00
- 710003 Treat for Shock, 4:16
- 710159 Measuring Respiratory Volumes, 13:44
- 710160 Anatomy & Physiology of a Cell, 24:29
- 710166 Conduit of the Circulatory System, 13:40
- 708575 Application of the Arthropod Repellent System, 30:00
- 710465 Perform Patient Assessment, 19:28
- 709768 Assembly of Patient Trays, 20:00
- 710608 Extricate a Patient From a Vehicle, 15:42



For USAMEDCOM personnel needing information on specific medical videotapes, **contact:** AMEDDC&S Health Sciences Visual Information Division, DSN 471-3111 or (210) 221-3111.

AMEDDC&S VTT Program takes EMT training worldwide

An EMT-Basic (B) training program is now provided through the use of two-way interactive Video Teletraining (VTT) that allows personnel to receive training at their duty station and still meet the requirements for EMT-B recertification. Training methods include lectures, group discussions, demonstrations, and the use of audiovisual materials.

The VTT program offers both the EMT-B Bridge and Refresher Courses. Instruction includes didactic material, practical demonstrations and exercises, and examinations. The EMT-B practical skills training and testing is conducted by a "current" EMT-B or above, and verified by a Physician, Physician's Assistant, or the Commander of the unit receiving the training.

A comprehensive list of VTT courses are offered toward the 48 hours of EMT continuing education required for EMT-B re-registration.

The VTT program is available to anyone with access to Digital Training Facility classrooms, Classrooms XXI facilities, or Video Conferencing systems that operate at 384 kbps.

To participate in these courses or for program questions, **contact:** Velma Burrs (VTT Program Manager), DSN 471-6120 or Steve Van Gilder (VTT EMT-B Training Coordinator), DSN 471-8510/8135, or (210) 221-8510/8135.

Training feedback requested

The Department of Academic Support and Quality Assurance (DASQA), AMEDDC&S, is collecting feedback from supervisors on the quality of recent MOS skill level 10 graduates. If you supervise a soldier that has graduated within the last 4-6 months, please complete the short web questionnaire located at: <http://www.cs.amedd.army.mil/easb/corel.htm>.

In a continuing effort to improve training, a general feedback questionnaire is provided for your comments and suggestions. It is located at: <http://www.cs.amedd.army.mil/easb/feedback.htm>, and will be used to ensure training and graduates meet your unit's needs. **Contact:** Ms. Lynda Saabedra, DASQA, DSN 471-8572, (210) 221-8572, or e-mail lynda.saabedra@amedd.army.mil.