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BRAC completion celebration one year away

by Brian Dwyer, Joint Program Management Office -

With one year remaining until the legislative deadline for finishing BRAC construction projects in San Antonio, all of the pieces are falling into place for the final push to the end. The last major BRAC projects to be awarded are under construction and several facilities are already in use by their tenants.

Finishing Touches

Since attaining initial operational capability this summer, the Medical Education and Training Campus (METC) is continuing to phase in more training courses on the way to becoming fully operational in 2011 when the last of its 12 core facilities is scheduled to be finished. METC is consolidating the enlisted medical training programs of all branches of the military, providing instruction for a variety of medical specialists, such as combat medics, Navy corpsmen, radiology technicians, and biomedical equipment technologists.

Elsewhere across Fort Sam Houston, ceremonies are being planned to formally recognize the opening of other BRAC structures that have already begun being utilized. A ribbon-cutting is scheduled in October for the Primary Care Clinic. This facility is assuming a portion of outpatient care responsibilities from Brooke Army Medical Center

(BAMC) as it is expanded to absorb inpatient care services from Wilford Hall Medical Center. A grand opening is also planned in February for the Joint Center of Excellence for Battlefield Health and Trauma Research, which is adjacent to BAMC and has consolidated research programs from all service branches.

At Randolph Air Force Base, some BRAC success came earlier than planned. A project to build a new administrative center that will incorporate Civilian Personnel Offices from five other bases finished ahead of schedule this summer. *(continued next page)*



September 15, 2010 marks one year to the required date when all San Antonio Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) actions must be complete by law. So far, all projects are on track to finish.



By the time BRAC 2005 execution is completed in 2011, it is estimated to have had a total of \$8.3 billion in positive economic impact to the city of San Antonio. As a result of the new federal jobs and increases in the military trainee population, once executed, BRAC will continue to add to the San Antonio economy. BRAC is also estimated to increase consumer and operational expenditures by \$1.6B per year making the estimated total economic impact of DoD in San Antonio \$13.3B per year. (Photo/JPMO)



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Randy Holman, Deputy Director, Joint Program Management Office

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Expansion of Randolph's Hangar 6 concluded several months ago, allowing for the realignment of an Introduction to Fighter Fundamentals pilot training mission from Moody Air Force Base.

At Port San Antonio, renovations to Building 171 are expected to be complete this fall. This project will allow 10 Air Force and joint agencies to be relocated into the refurbished structure.

Next door at Lackland Air Force Base, the BRAC program has delivered a new storage facility for the Air Force's traveling entertainment unit, Tops in Blue. The warehouse began receiving equipment in mid-summer.

"What we're seeing are the tangible results of a process that began in 2006 with planning and scope development and has gained momentum each successive year," said Randy Holman, Program Manager for the Army Corps of Engineers and Deputy Director of the Joint Program Management Office, which is overseeing BRAC design and construction. "Since 2007, we've been telling stakeholders and the San Antonio community what was coming, so, now

that we are turning over facilities, the benefits of the military's investment in San Antonio are becoming apparent."

BRAC spells GREEN

As more BRAC facilities are completed, the program is beginning to receive recognition for the level of sustainability that's been incorporated into the structures. The project to expand and renovate Brooke Army Medical Center recently marked progress toward obtaining Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver certification. LEED is a national "green" building rating and certification program administered by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) in Washington, D.C. to promote improved environmental and human health performance. A review of the project's design produced 23 points on the LEED rating scale. A total of between 33 and 38 points is required to qualify for Silver status. An additional 15 points are being sought during the construction phase of the project, which is expected to continue through next summer.

Earlier this year, the dining facility that's part of METC gained LEED Silver certifica-

tion, after a USGBC review yielded 35 points on the LEED scale. This building is not expected to be the last METC facility to get certified. Representatives of the team that's managing construction of METC are pursuing efforts to have 11 additional METC buildings certified as Silver or higher by the USGBC. When completed next year, METC stands to be one of the few campuses in the nation to have attained campus-wide LEED certification.

The effort to bring the BRAC program in San Antonio to a successful conclusion is a true tri-service effort. The Joint Program Management Office represents a partnership between the Army Corps of Engineers, the Air Force Center for Engineering and the Environment, and the Naval Facilities Engineering Command. This office has a workforce of more than 200 individuals, including military personnel, federal employees, and contractors. The JPMO's overall workload in San Antonio through fiscal year 2011 includes 157 contracts totaling more than \$3.3 billion for BRAC and other types of military construction projects.

502nd ABW nears fully operational capable date

by Brent Boller, 502nd ABW Public Affairs - The 502nd Air Base Wing, Joint Base San Antonio, is just two weeks away from its fully operational capable date (FOC). That's when the real property at Fort Sam Houston transfers to the Air Force and the Army civilians in the garrison, now the 502nd Mission Support Group, become Air Force civilians.

The consolidation of base support functions under the 502nd Air Base Wing, headquartered at Fort Sam Houston, was mandated by the

2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission. Joint Base San Antonio is composed of Lackland and Randolph Air Force Bases and Fort Sam Houston, which includes Camp Bullis.

"We've come a long way since the 502nd Air Base Wing activated just over a year ago on July 31, 2009," explained Brig. Gen. Leonard Patrick, 502nd ABW commander. "But we have much more to accomplish as we approach the fully operational capable date on Oct. 1, and thereafter.

Joint basing is more about a process than a date on the calendar. We will continue to evolve during the next several years as we merge the processes of our three installations," the general said.

Joint Base San Antonio is the largest single installation for support in the Department of Defense. "Our objective is to become more efficient, effective and consistent as we provide service to our customers and more than 200 mission partners. *(continued pg. 3)*



Army Colonel Robert S. Bridgford, 502nd Air Base Wing vice commander, left, and Brig. Gen. Leonard A. Patrick, 502nd ABW commander, right, on the site of the future 502nd ABW headquarters building. The official ground-breaking ceremony for the building was conducted on July 14th, 2010. (photo courtesy 502nd ABW)

502nd ABW nears fully operational capable date

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Success will continue to require a great deal of teamwork between all of the services here in San Antonio."

The citizens of San Antonio and surrounding areas will

notice little difference under joint basing. "This transition will be largely transparent to the local community and each base will keep its identity and rich history," General Patrick emphasized. "There will be no

change in the primary missions at Fort Sam Houston and Camp Bullis, Lackland and Randolph. Joint basing is about optimizing installation support."



Brig. Gen. Leonard A. Patrick, 502nd Air Base Wing commander, and Senior Airman Denise Rodriguez, executive to the 502nd ABW command chief, cut an anniversary cake on July 30th. The 502nd ABW and Joint Base San Antonio were activated on July 31, 2009. (photo by Brent Boller)

Realignment, Closure plan continues on track

by Donna Miles, American Forces Press Service, FORT MEADE, Md. - It's "all systems go" here as this Army installation prepares to receive three new organizations and about 5,700 of their employees as part of the Base Realignment and Closure Commission plan.

Fort Meade is among hundreds of major focal points in implementing the most sweeping BRAC initiatives ever undertaken - requiring twice the number of actions as the previous four BRAC rounds since 1988 combined.

The plan, which took effect in November 2005, affects more than 800 military installations. It involves closing some, consolidating or realigning others, and ultimately relocating some 123,000 military members and civilian employees.

By law, all these actions must be completed by Sept. 15, 2011.

Despite the magnitude of the effort, Dorothy Robyn, deputy undersecretary of defense for installations and environ-

ment, expressed confidence during congressional testimony in March that the department will meet the deadline.

"We are on a tight deadline," she told a House Appropriations subcommittee. However, 28 BRAC recommendations already had been implemented, she reported, and "all others are on track for completion by the statutory deadline." About 30 of the required BRAC actions involve construction projects scheduled for completion within 90 days of the deadline, she said.

Robyn offered assurance that the department will do everything possible to meet its BRAC mandate.

"In four previous rounds, the department has never missed a BRAC deadline, and we will make every effort to preserve our perfect record," she said. With just over 13 months left before the deadline, evidence of BRAC-related activity - some large-scale, some less so -- is ever-present throughout the department.

Here, for example, construction crews are putting the finishing touches on millions of square feet of buildings that will accommodate three new tenants: the Defense Information Systems Agency, Defense Media Activity and Defense Adjudication Activity.

Altogether, the move will bring about 5,700 new employees, almost 90 percent of them civilians, to the post.

Bert Rice, director of Fort Meade's transformation office, credits good planning and cooperation among the garrison, the incoming agencies and local and state governments with helping to ensure the move proceeds smoothly and on time.

"You have to really plan for these things and develop those relationships with agencies coming in so you are pulling the wagon rather than having some pulling and some pushing and some going the other direction," he said.

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Construction crews are ahead of schedule on construction of a new facility to house the Defense Media Activity when it moves to Fort Meade, Md., as part of 2005 BRAC. (DoD photo/Donna Miles)

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Meanwhile, eight local jurisdictions formed a task force to address potential problems associated with the post's growth: housing shortages, overcrowded schools and clogged highways, among them.

"They've worked hard on these issues," Rice said. "They understand the numbers, and although they probably are not ready yet, they are working toward being able to accommodate this influx."

Recognizing that traffic congestion is expected to be one of the biggest headaches associated with the move, Fort Meade and local officials have worked closely with the Maryland Transportation Authority to improve the roadways and provide more frequent stops at the nearby commuter train station.

Under an agreement with the National Security Agency, the largest Fort Meade tenant organization, Fort Meade employees will be able to ride an NSA-funded shuttle bus between the train station and the post, Rice said. Meanwhile, the installation is focused on improving access gates and its internal road network, while also encouraging more carpooling and telecommuting.

While these issues get worked out, a massive construction effort continues. The largest project, to accommodate almost 4,300 DISA employees, is "right on schedule" with 90 percent completed, Rice said.

DISA's advance party already has begun arriving at Fort Meade, he reported, with about 200 currently working in temporary offices and another 100 or so to arrive within the next several weeks to facilitate the move. The bigger, phased-in move for the rest of the employees will begin in January, with an additional 150 to 200

arriving at Fort Meade each week.

"That should finish by the July timeframe, no later than August," Rice said. "They'll all be there, moved in and able to perform their functions in advance of 15 September."

Meanwhile, initial members of the Defense Media Activity are expected to begin arriving in November. As construction crews wrap up work on their new building, currently ahead of schedule at 65 percent complete, DMA's advanced team will prepare it to receive about 663 employees.

Like DISA, DMA is planning a phased-in move, and most of its employees are expected to arrive at Fort Meade between March and June, Rice said. Across post, the new Defense Military Adjudication Activity building is slightly ahead of schedule, at 64 percent complete.

Unlike DISA and DMA, both consolidating operations at Fort Meade, the Defense Military Adjudication Activity is a collocation that will bring together 10 separate activities in a single building, Rice explained. Their collective 760 employees are on schedule to move to Fort Meade before the Sept. 15 mandate.

While Fort Meade makes final preparations for a big growth spurt, other installations around the country are busy conducting their own BRAC-related activities in the crunch time leading to September 2011.

For example, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, is undergoing its largest construction project since World War II to prepare for the arrival of aerospace medicine and sensors research programs from other installations. But for every installation experiencing growth under BRAC 2005, there's at least one seeing scaled-down operations or

closure.

The Air Force officially closed Onizuka Air Force Station in Sunnyvale, Calif., July 28, moving the 21st Space Operations Squadron that had inhabited it, to Vandenberg Air Force Base in southern California. To continue honoring the late Lt. Col. Ellison Onizuka, the Air Force astronaut killed during the space shuttle Challenger explosion in 1986, the 21st named its new home the Onizuka Satellite Operations Facility.

Fort Monmouth, N.J., also slated to close under BRAC 2005, recently hosted a three-day "Last Hoo-Ah" party before shuttering the 94-year-old installation and transferring its operations to Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

The Athens, Ga., community recently announced a "57-day salute," a series of commemorative events to run 57 days beginning Aug. 29 and continuing until the last class of cadets graduates from the U.S. Navy Supply Corps School. The school is being consolidated in Newport, R.I., with its property in Athens to be transferred to the University of Georgia.

While base closures are melancholy events to many, for some they represent a new opportunity to put former military real estate to new use. Atlanta city officials, for example, are chomping at the bit as they make plans for 488 acres of historic land it will receive when Fort McPherson closes by September 2011. Among possible uses for the site is a pedestrian-friendly development that integrates living and recreational facilities while providing an employment center for bioscience and green industries.



A sprawling new building under construction at Fort Meade, Md., will accommodate almost 4,000 Defense Information Systems Agency employees to relocate no later than September 15, 2011 under the BRAC mandate. (DoD photo/Donna Miles)

Then and now: San Antonio BRAC projects



Battlefield Health and Trauma 2008



Summer 2010



Medical Education and Training Campus dorms 2008



Summer 2010



Medical Instructional Facility 2008



Summer 2010

BAMC valet parking popular with patients



Retired Sgt. 1st Class James Burns hands over his valet ticket stub to Raul Wilshire, valet supervisor outside the hospital clinic entrance to have his vehicle retrieved. (photo/ Chondra Perry)

by Jen D. Rodriguez,
Brooke Army Medical Center Public Affairs - Brooke Army Medical Center patients are valued here so much here that they receive curbside service, namely patient valet parking.

Since June, the hospital instituted patient valet parking due to the BRAC construction projects limiting the amount of patient parking in the area. For many patients, circling the parking lots was the norm, often resulting in late arrival to appointments.

"I love it, especially the convenience and not having to try to find a parking spot," said Judy Barbour, who was late for her appointment, "It's nice to run up, hand over the keys and take off. So many people are here. It's the best thing they (BAMC) ever did."

According to Brig. Gen. Joseph Carvalho Jr., commander of the Southern Regional Medical Command (Provisional) and BAMC, by introducing valet parking to our valued patients, "we expect to eliminate a major stressor associated with clinic appointments at BAMC."

Offered Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., closed on Federal Holidays or BAMC Training Days, BAMC's free valet parking is a temporary service available to patients with a valid ID-card or a scheduled appointment slip.

Primarily, the service is being offered during the BRAC construction and renovation period, and will discontinue after the construction is complete.

"Valet parking is excellent. It's the greatest thing that ever happened. I think with the rush and worry about getting from one place to another or not having to run around in the heat; valet parking really helps," said Air Force Staff Sgt. Roque Solis standing outside the hospital with his family, awaiting their car. "I'm thankful to the people who have the warm hearts to help us out."

During the first week of operations, some 800-1,000 patients were served. The current average is 450-600 patients per week due to adding additional patient spaces and the relocation of staff handicap parking to main post.

To access the valet parking service, a patient should enter BAMC from the I-35 gate and continue to follow the signs to the hospital medical mall circle to drop off the car with a valet attendant. A 4-digit ticket will be given to the driver, and the other portion maintained with the car keys. Upon the completion of the patient's appointment, return to the valet booth; present the ticket to the valet supervisor who will dispatch an attendant to retrieve the car.

Although often offered by many patrons, tips are not accepted.

Patients like Solis, Babour and Ramona Tames agree the new service is an excellent, convenient service offered at the hospital.

"I love it (valet parking)," said Ramona, who's taken full advantage of the service,

since it began in June. Her care is at BAMC, while her husband, Israel is seen at the Veterans Hospital. "We don't have to park far away; it's convenient. My husband can't walk that far."

For patients who wish to park their own cars, they may do so in parking lots A and B through the Binz-Engleman Gate, and lot D at the I-35 gate.

In fact, Janette Maher said "valet parking is so wonderful; it's the best thing since a month of Sundays, especially for people who are not young anymore. My husband is on a walker and I'm a slow walker, so valet parking really helps."

Most BAMC patients said the long walk from the parking lot – even from the handicapped parking spaces – was challenge for those with limited mobility.

On crutches, retired Sgt. 1st Class Stanley Parham stops at the valet parking booth to catch his breath, and smiles. "It's a long way to the parking lot and I have a disable tag, but on crutches..." He shakes his head. "With a whole town, a military city comprised of retirees, the valet service is a blessing for those who can't move expeditiously."

"Valet parking is not a luxury, but a necessity," added Israel. "We vets are still lucky that we can walk a mile with no problem. A lot of retirees are not asking for favors, they're asking to pay one back."

Other San Antonio BRAC-related news...



As part of the Base Realignment and Closure transition process, Family Medicine Service at Brooke Army Medical Center has relocated to the Fort Sam Houston Medical Clinic at 3100 Schofield Road, Building 1179. Fort Sam Houston Family Medicine Service is available to currently enrolled active duty as well as TRICARE Prime and TRICARE PLUS enrollees of all ages. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Construction continues on the Tri-Service Research Lab facility on Fort Sam Houston. The project is on schedule for completion in April, 2011. The building will house Navy and Air Force missions moving from Brooks City-Base.



Mr. Heath Drader (right), receives an award from Deputy to the Commanding General, U.S. Army Medical Department Center and School, Gregg Stevens (left), officially recognizing him as a "friend of the Army Medical Department Regiment" Aug. 27 at Randolph AFB, Texas. Mr. Drader serves as financial manager for San Antonio BRAC projects. He received the award for "his performance and support that set an example of how the Services can achieve great outcomes." The award is reserved for the few people who have made a lasting impact.

BRAC "VIEWS FROM THE TOP"

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In this edition, we feature Brigadier General Joseph Carvalho, Jr., Commanding General for Brooke Army Medical Center and Southern Regional Medical Command at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

Q1. What is your role in the San Antonio BRAC process?

BRAC 2005 has impacted San Antonio on many fronts. The most notable changes include the stand-up of Joint Base San Antonio, the Tri-Service Military Education and Training Campus, the Tri-Service Battlefield Health and Trauma Research Institute, and the realignment of the inpatient services from the Air Force's Wilford Hall Medical Center to Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC). As BAMC's Commanding General, I represent the local Army component for the latter.

Q2. Clearly, the massive construction at BAMC is a major part of BRAC 2005. We are now one year away from the BRAC deadline of 15 September 2011. What still needs to be done at BAMC to meet the deadline?

We are making excellent progress toward completing the 760,000 square-foot addition of the Consolidated Tower which is adjacent to our existing hospital, the 22,400 square-foot Central Energy Plant, and the 1.8 million square-foot parking structure. We're also working aggressively to complete BAMC's 288,000 square-foot, multi-phased renovation project.

Q3. Some people may not know about the rich history of BAMC and that there were two BAMC buildings before the current one. Can you tell us a bit about the history?

From 1845 when the Army first arrived in San Antonio until 1879, medical facilities were in tents or rented buildings. Between 1870 and 1875, the city of San Antonio donated 92 acres land to the Army for the site of a permanent military post. In 1876, the Army began moving its facilities to its present location on Government Hill. The first medical building constructed was a temporary building of board and batten construction located in the northwest corner of the land donated by the city. It wasn't until 1886 that the first permanent hospital was built. This lasted for 21 years, until 1907, when the 84-bed Station Hospital was built. This served the community for the next 30 years, when it was replaced with what we now call a General Hospital which would be designated as Brooke General Hospital in 1942. The main hospital was augmented during World War II with barracks converted into hospital wards. After the war, the enlarged medical complex was designated as Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC) and consisted of a number of buildings dispersed throughout Fort Sam Houston. In 1950, an addition was completed, which became the world renowned Burn Center at Brooke Army Medical Center. The 1.2 million square-foot "New BAMC" was opened in 1996. With BRAC 2005, we're going to become the largest inpatient medical facility in the DoD inventory.

Q4. What have been some challenges making sure the

construction gets finished on time?

BRAC 2005 specifies September 15, 2011, as the date by which all inpatients formerly treated at Wilford Hall Medical Center will have been transferred to Brooke Army Medical Center. Adding to this challenge, we must continue to see patients while both new construction and major renovations are taking place. This has impacted our operating rooms, wards, clinics, waiting areas, pharmacies, labs, dining facility, office spaces, and parking lots. While undergoing a planned realignment of Air Force services from Wilford Hall, we are taking on new and enhanced missions that will challenge our staff. Inpatient care at BAMC will almost double over the next year to meet the BRAC deadline. The new missions include Obstetrics, Pediatric, Medical Oncology and Inpatient Psychiatry Services. The expanding services are Medicine, Orthopedics, and Surgery—to include the combination of both facilities' Level I Trauma programs. Because Wilford Hall must continue to operate 24-hour operations until the BRAC deadline next year, staffing will be a challenge at both facilities, but we are working on interim solutions. Finally, we must continue to operate at the highest standard, as measured by The Joint Commission, our hospital accrediting body. We successfully completed a Joint Commission survey last August, during this transition period.



I am extremely proud of both our staff and patients for their resilience during this very difficult period. Nearly every one of our work groups has already moved, or will move, before September 15, 2011.

Q5. Will the famous BAMC Burn Unit become part of the Consolidated Tower and can you discuss the impact of the integration of clinics between Wilford Hall Medical Center and BAMC?

The Burn Unit at Brooke Army Medical Center is technically staffed by personnel assigned to the US Army Institute of Surgical Research which is part of Medical Research and Materiel Command, Fort Detrick, Maryland. However, all their clinical work is done under the auspices of my command. We're eager to be able to provide the Burn Center with more area with which to operate in the Consolidated Tower, greatly enhancing patient care and improving efficiency for the unit.

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Q6. Obviously, parking at or near BAMC has been a challenge throughout the construction process. When will the new parking garage be finished and how many vehicles can park there?

The parking garage, which will hold 5,000 cars, is due to be completed by the summer of 2011. However, the Consolidated Tower will still be under construction and safety of patients and staff must be considered before opening the garage for use. We are working on solutions to deal with the increased traffic flow the new garage will bring. This includes meetings I've had with the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce to widen Binz-Engleman Road; lengthen the right turn lane to access IH-35 South, and provide traffic-controlling lights for vehicles exiting to Binz-Engleman. I've also asked the team at Joint Base San Antonio to consider adding another entrance on Binz-Engleman adjacent to the parking garage.

Q7. After the BRAC deadline, how will BAMC be one of the most important military medical facilities in the Department of Defense and the co-location of Air Force and Army medical services?

With our consolidated, integrated facilities, the San Antonio Military Medical Center, SAMMC, will become the largest inpatient facility within the Department of Defense, while Wilford Hall will feature a large ambulatory surgical center. In concert with the DoD's only

Level I Trauma Center, the largest orthopedics residency program, the Burn Center, Battlefield Health and Trauma Research Institute, the Center for the Intrepid, the largest consolidation of Fisher Houses on any one campus, the advent of a VA polytrauma center, our ties with the University of Texas Health Sciences Center, and with over 35 combined graduate medical and allied health training programs, we are extremely well positioned to lead military medicine for years to come.

Q8. With the trauma care move to BAMC from Wilford Hall, what adjustments have you had to make to accommodate the change?

We've seen a steady increase in the number and frequency of cases that require surgery since we've combined the two Level I trauma programs at BAMC. This has impacted our operating room operations, as you might imagine, and we've had to adjust our response teams to meet this increased demand. We have become a vibrant and viable partner with University Hospital since the merger, resulting in providing San Antonio and South Texas one of the top trauma care networks in the nation.

Q9. Finally sir, how have the challenges of implementing BRAC affected your position as commander of the Southern Regional Medical Command?

I am dual-hatted as the BAMC and Southern Regional Medical Command (SRMC) Com-

manding General. As such, BRAC 2005 affects only my BAMC command. With it, I will take operational control of a very large minority of Air Force personnel at what will be called SAMMC. They will remain under the administrative control of the 59th Medical Wing Commander. On the other hand, I will retain administrative control of the Army personnel working at Wilford Hall after September, 2011. Additionally, I will assume another position as either Director or Deputy Director of the San Antonio Military Health System, an umbrella organization providing oversight over both SAMMC and the Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center. I will continue to have command and control of the Army military treatment facilities located within the TRICARE-South region, that is, the southern United States extending from central Texas to Florida, and from Kentucky to Puerto Rico.

BG Carvalho was born and raised in Kaneohe, HI, and is a 1975 alumnus of St. Louis High School in Honolulu, HI. In 1979, he graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts in mathematics from Gonzaga University in Spokane, WA. Designated an AROTC Distinguished Military Graduate, BG Carvalho was first commissioned a 2LT in the Medical Service Corps to attend the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) School of Medicine in Bethesda, MD.



In 1983, after being conferred his medical doctorate, he was commissioned a Medical Corps Regular Army CPT. BG Carvalho's postgraduate medical training included a transitional internship, internal medicine residency, and both nuclear medicine and cardiology fellowships. He is a graduate of the Army War College, where he also received a Master of Strategic Studies.

Clinically, BG Carvalho served as staff internist, nuclear medicine physician, and cardiologist. His operational medical experience includes assignments as Surgeon, 1st Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne), Okinawa, Japan; Physician Augmentee, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg; Surgeon, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, GA; Deputy Chief of Staff, Surgeon, U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg; and Assistant Chief of Staff, Health Affairs, XVIII Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg. He also commanded the 28th Combat Support Hospital and the 44th Medical Command (Rear)(Provisional), both at Fort Bragg. He has two deployments in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, the latter of which he served as the Surgeon for both Multi-National Force-Iraq and Multi-National Corps-Iraq.



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