



## Flight Surgeon Physician MCCONNELL AFB, KS

### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- **Degree/Education:** Possesses a Doctor of Medicine degree or a doctor of osteopathy degree from an approved school of medicine or osteopathy. Graduate from an accredited medical school in the United States or Canada. This degree must have been accredited by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association; Association of American Medical Colleges; Liaison Committee on Medical Education; Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation of the American Osteopathic Association, or an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)
  - A Doctor of Medicine or equivalent degree from a foreign medical school must provide education and medical knowledge substantially equivalent to accredited schools in the United States. Evidence of equivalency to accredited schools in the United States is demonstrated by permanent certification by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates, a fifth pathway certificate for Americans who completed premedical education in the United States and graduate education in a foreign country, or successful completion of the U.S. Medical Licensing Examination.
- **Licensure:** Possess Current, full, active, and unrestricted license to practice medicine
- **Certifications:** Possess current BLS and ACLS
- **Board Certification:** Current board certification in Aerospace Medicine is highly recommended. If not board certified in Aerospace Medicine, then must show proof of completion of any medical residency program and must have a minimum of 3 years of U.S. military Flight Surgeon experience.
- **Experience:** HCW must have a minimum of **35 hours of direct patient care in the past year**. In addition, the applicant must have a minimum of 3 years in the last 10 years of U.S.G. Operations, NASA or Military Flight Surgeon experience that must have included: sufficient experience in Air Force/DoD/NASA medical standards to conduct special operational evaluations, including (but not limited to) PHA for flyers/special duty personnel, initial certification exams for flying/special duty applicants; aeromedical disposition for



flying/special operational duty; conduct adaptability rating assessment for military special duty applicants; apply medical, fitness and profiling standards IAW AFIs 48- 123, 36-2905 and 10-203 (including profiling and duty restrictions as Profile Officer); and provide primary care for active duty personnel and their family members. The applicant must have knowledge of current regulations including: AFI 48-123, AFI 36-2905, AFI 10-203, DoD 5210.42R, and AFMAN 10-3902.

- **Computer Proficiency:** Computer Skill Competency Test required
- **Licensure/Registration:** Possess current active unrestricted license to practice medicine in the U.S.

**DUTIES:** Flight Surgeon duties include but are not limited to the following: the flight medicine physician shall provide health care to beneficiaries assigned to the Flight Medicine Clinic, Occupational Health Clinic, or other civilian Flight Medicine physician positions as defined by the MTF. These tasks include performing primary care and occupational health clinician duties and the associated administrative tasks. Care shall include but not be limited to continuing, comprehensive health maintenance and provision of medical care, including preventive medicine, behavioral health, occupational health, and community health.

The civilian/contract Flight Medicine physician may become the primary care manager (PCM) for a panel of patients. As a PCM, the flight medicine physician will be the primary person responsible for the management of the health and wellness of his/her assigned patients. Duties include: examination of patients, formulation of differential diagnostic plans, ordering of appropriate diagnostic testing; interpretation of examination findings and test results, and implementation of treatment plans; determination of the need for consultation and assisting in medical care and treatment provided at the direction of other specialists; approving/disapproving subspecialty referrals; directing case management activities; answering patient telephone consults with the assistance of clinic staff; and providing primary and secondary preventive maintenance care.

The Chief, Flight Medicine Clinic will assign specific duties/patient care assignments and other duties deemed necessary.

Diagnose and treat a wide-range of adult acute and chronic diseases and injuries including but not limited to conditions of the: Skin Pulmonary System, Head, Gastrointestinal System Eyes, Musculoskeletal System Ears, Genitourinary System Nose, Reproductive System Throat, Lymphatic System Neck, Central Nervous System, Cardiovascular System, Endocrine System, Psychiatric and Behavioral Health, perform medical procedures and maintain certification where appropriate to include, but not limited to, the following:

- Basic Life Support
  - Secure and maintain an adequate airway, to include endotracheal intubation
  - Cardioversion of life threatening arrhythmias
  - Simple minor surgical procedures: punch biopsies, excision of skin lesions
  - Simple abscess incision and drainage
  - Nail trephination
  - Sling or swath injuries
  - Suture simple laceration



- Suture removal
- Cryotherapy
- Nebulizer treatment
- Bladder catheterization
- Cultures (throat, wound)
- Remove ocular, nasal and ear foreign bodies
- Clearing of ears by flush technique •Reduce simple dislocations and fractures, when appropriate
- Bandaging of sprains, minor burns, and minor lacerations
- Perform venous punctures for lab studies and interpret results
- Draw arterial blood gases for evaluation and interpret results •Administer intravenous, intramuscular and subcutaneous medications as appropriate •Stabilize and evaluate cervical spine injuries as appropriate
- Splint and stabilize traumatic injuries to extremities •Review, interpret, and act upon medical surveillance data relating to the Occupational Health program
- Prepare records and reports as required in support of services rendered in accordance with established procedures
- Attend and participate in patient care reports, review meetings, patient care conferences, team conferences, professional staff conferences and other appropriate professional activities only to the extent that such attendance and participation is relative to assigned cases and/or performance of services.

**Aeromedical Dispositions:** Civilian/Contract Flight Medicine providers will be allowed to make aeromedical dispositions ONLY if they meet the Qualifications criteria listed in section 1. Aeromedical dispositions must be specifically listed on the Flight Surgeon's credentials and privileges list, which requires initial review and approval by the MTF's SGP. The term "aeromedical disposition" includes drafting and reviewing aeromedical waivers, and approving DNIF's, and return-to-fly 2992s. Exceptions to this policy require approval from AFMSA/SGPF. Civilian/Contract Flight Surgeons will not routinely be granted base- level waiver authority. Civilian/Contract flight medicine physicians will not fly (as part of their duties), or participate in exercises beyond the scope of medical care specified in their privileges and/or credentials. They will not be utilized as Squadron Medical Element physicians.

Credentialed civilian/contract Flight Medicine physicians may respond to HAZMAT and in-flight emergencies.

**They will not participate in after-hours calls.**



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Civilian/Contract Flight Medicine providers will: Conduct special operational evaluations, including (but not limited to) PHA for flyers/special duty personnel, initial certification exams for flying/special duty applicants (including foreign military personnel attending US military training, initial health screening for foreign military personnel attending US military training), aeromedical disposition for flying/special operational duty, conduct adaptability rating assessment for military special duty applicants make PRP/PSP determinations IAW DoD 5210.42R and AFMAN 10-3902, apply medical, fitness and profiling standards IAW AFIs 48- 123, 36-2905 and 10-203 (including profiling and duty restrictions as Profile Officer), complete deployment health assessments IAW DHA policy, provide primary care for active duty personnel and their family members, consults with the assistance of clinic staff, and providing primary and secondary preventive maintenance care.

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**I have read and fully understand the minimum qualifications and duties and will comply with all requirements under this contract service.**

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