



# BIOGRAPHY UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

# **COLONEL BEATRICE T. DOLIHITE**

Colonel Beatrice T. Dolihite is the Service Commander and DHA MTF Director, 81st Medical Group, Keesler Medical Center, Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi. Additionally, she is a co-lead for the Biloxi DoD/VA joint venture center of excellence initiatives. As commander, she is responsible for the direct delivery care at Keesler Medical Center and its clinics while coordinating the health care for all Joint Service warfighters, military retirees and their family members along the gulf coast. She ensures all Keesler Medics are ready for combat missions and humanitarian medical responses. Colonel Dolihite directs five graduate medical education programs, eight enlisted training programs, and a clinical research laboratory. She leads almost 1,700 healthcare professionals and manages a local budget of more than 87 million dollars. She also is the federal coordinator for the Gulf Coast National Disaster Medical System.

Col Dolihite graduated in 1995 from Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama and received her commission into the Air Force through the Reserve Officers' Training Corps. She is certified by the American Nurses Credentialing Center in medical-surgical nursing. She deployed as a Critical Care Air Transport Team (CCATT) member and has experience in the emergency room and outpatient clinic arenas.

### EDUCATION

- 1995 Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Samford University, Birmingham, AL
- 1995 Nursing Transition Program, Travis AFB, CA
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, in residence, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2001 Master of Public Administration, Troy State University, Troy, AL
- 2007 Critical Care Air Transport Team Course, Brooks City Base, San Antonio, TX
- 2010 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College in residence, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2011 Lean for Healthcare Course, University of Tennessee at USAF Academy, CO
- 2016 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College in residence, Maxwell AFB, AL

# ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. July 1995 October 1995, Nurse Intern, 60th Medical Group, Travis Air Force Base, California
- 2. October 1995 October 1997, Clinical Nurse, Multi-Service Unit, 49th Medical Group, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico
- 3. October 1997 November 1998, Clinical Nurse, Multi-Service Unit, 51st Medical Group, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
- 4. November 1998 May 2002, Clinical Nurse, Family Practice Clinic, 6th Medical Group, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida
- 5. May 2002 May 2005, Director of Operations, Headquarters Air Force, Office of the Surgeon General, Bolling AFB, District of Columbia
- 6. May 2005 May 2007, Clinical Nurse, Critical Care Unit, 79th Medical Group, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland
- 7. May 2007 August 2009, Element Leader, Critical Care Unit, 779th Medical Group, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland

8. January 2008 – July 2008, Critical Care Air Transport Team nurse, 379th Expeditionary Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar (Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM)

- 9. August 2009 June 2010, IDE Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
- 10. June 2010 January 2012, Program Manager, Inpatient Care, Air Force Medical Operations Agency, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 11. January 2012 June 2013, Branch Chief, Inpatient Provision of Nursing Care, Air Force Medical Operations Agency, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 12. June 2013- June 2015, Commander, 341st Medical Operations Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Montana
- 13. July 2015- May 2016, Student, Air War College, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
- 14. May 2016- June 2018, Commander, 42d Medical Group, Maxwell AFB, Alabama



15. June 2018- Present, Service Commander/DHA MTF Director, 81st Medical Group, Keesler AFB, MS

## MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters Aerial Achievement Medal Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters Air Force Achievement Medal Air Force Outstanding Unit Medal with two oak leaf clusters Air Force Organizational Excellence Award National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Korean Defense Service Medal Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal AF Overseas Ribbon Short with one oak leaf cluster Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border AF Longevity Service with three oak leaf clusters Air Force Training Ribbon

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS:

American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE) American Nurses Association (ANA) Alabama State Nurses Association (ASNA)

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS: National Certification in Medical-Surgical Nursing

### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF RANK:**

Second Lieutenant June 8, 1995 First Lieutenant June 8, 1997 Captain June 8, 1999 Major October 1, 2007 Lieutenant Colonel September 1, 2012 Colonel May 1, 2016

Current as of Oct 2018