



United States Air Force **Lineage and Honors History**

HQ, 656 Medical Wing (AFMEDCOM)

Lineage. Constituted as 656 Tactical Hospital on 23 Jan 1959. Activated on 16 Feb 1959.

Redesignated as 656 Air Transportable Hospital on 16 May 1992. Inactivated on 1 Jul 1994.

Redesignated as HQ, 656 Medical Wing on 26 Nov 2024. Activated on 16 Jan 2025.

Assignments. 1 Medical Services (later, 1 Medical Service) Wing, 16 Feb 1959; USAF Hospital, Clark (later, USAF Regional Medical Center, Clark; 13 Medical Center; Thirteenth Air Force Medical Center), 31 Dec 1977; 3 Medical Group, 1 Jul 1991; Eleventh Air Force Medical Center, 19 Dec 1991; 3 Medical Center (later 3 Medical Group), 16 May 1992; Medical Readiness Command-Alpha, 16 Jan 2025-.

Stations. Clark AB, Philippines, 16 Feb 1959; Elmendorf AFB, AK, 19 Dec 1991; Joint Base San Antonio, TX, 16 Jan 2025-.

Service Streamers. None

Campaign Streamers. None.

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers. None.

Decorations. Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards: 10 Aug 1961-30 Jun 1963; 21 Sep 1973-30 Jun 1975; 1 May 1980-30 Apr 1982; 1 Jan 1983-31 Dec 1984; 1 Jan 1985-30 Apr 1986.

Philippine Republic Presidential Unit Citation: 21 Jul-15 Aug 1972. Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm: 25 Mar 1971-25 Apr 1971.

Lineage, Assignments, Stations, and Honors through 8 Dec 2025.

Emblem. Approved on 2 Dec 2025.

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