

*United States Army
Medical Command
Command Chief Warrant Officer
Change of Responsibility*



*From
Chief Warrant Officer 5 Deanna L. Hughes
to
Chief Warrant Officer 5 Terrence D. Ward*

*28 August 2026
1000 hours*

*Defense Health Headquarters Pavilion
Salons A, B, and C
7700 Arlington Boulevard
Falls Church, Virginia 22042*

Sequence of Events

Arrival of the Official Party

National Anthem

Ms. Tifani Fields

Invocation

Chaplain (Colonel) Tracy C. Hudgins

Change of Responsibility

Host Remarks

Lieutenant General Mary K. Izaguirre

Outgoing Command Chief Warrant Officer Remarks

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Deanna L. Hughes

Incoming Command Chief Warrant Officer Remarks

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Terrence D. Ward

The Army Song

Departure of the Official Party

Receiving Line



Lieutenant General Mary K. Izaguirre

**The Surgeon General and Commanding General
United States Army Medical Command**

Lieutenant General Mary K. Izaguirre is The 46th Surgeon General of the United States Army and Commanding General, United States Army Medical Command. Prior to her appointment as The Surgeon General and Commanding General, she served as the Commanding General, U.S. Army Medical Readiness Command, East and Chief of the U.S. Army Medical Corps.

LTG Izaguirre received her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Houghton College in 1991 and was commissioned through the Health Professions scholarship program as a second lieutenant in the United States Army. She received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine in 1995 from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and completed residency training in Family Medicine in 1998, and Faculty Development Fellowship in 2002, both at Madigan Army Medical Center, Fort Lewis, Washington.

LTG Izaguirre is board certified in Family Medicine and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians. She received a Master of Public Health from the University of Washington in 2002, a Master of Military Arts and Science from the Command and General Staff College in 2008, and a Master in National Security and Resource Strategy at the Dwight D. Eisenhower School of National Security and Resource Strategy in 2015.

LTG Izaguirre's military education includes the War College, Army Command and General Staff College, AMEDD Officer Advanced Course, AMEDD Officer Basic Course, Army Flight Surgeon Course, Division Surgeon Course, and Brigade Command Course.

LTG Izaguirre's military assignments include Commander, Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii from 2018-2020; Supervisory Assistant Deputy Health Affairs, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, (MPQ), Pentagon, Washington, DC from 2015-2018; Commander, U.S. Army Health Clinic Schofield Barracks, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii from 2012-2014; Division Surgeon, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado, and Tikrit, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn from 2009-2012; Chief of Soldier Care, Evans Army Community Hospital, Fort Carson, Colorado from 2008-2009; Director of Residency Training, Department of Family Medicine, Fort Bragg, North Carolina from 2005-2007; Associate Program Director, Department of Family Medicine, Fort Bragg, North Carolina from 2003-2005; Deputy Surgeon, Combined Joint Civil Military Operations Task Force, Bagram, Afghanistan in 2003; Director of Research, Family Medicine Residency Program, Dewitt Army Community Hospital, Fort Belvoir, Virginia; Faculty Development Fellow, Madigan Army Medical Center, Fort Lewis, Washington from 2000-2002; and Family Medicine Residency Faculty, Madigan Army Medical Center, Fort Lewis, Washington from 1998-2000. Prior to her current position, she served as the Commanding General for Medical Readiness Command, East from 2021-2023 and Chief of the U.S. Army Medical Corps from 2022-2024.

LTG Izaguirre's military awards include the Army Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (three Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (two Oak Leaf Clusters), and the Army Achievement Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster). LTG Izaguirre is an Army Flight Surgeon, has earned the Expert Field Medical Badge, the Army Staff Identification Badge, and holds The Surgeon General's 9A Designation. LTG Izaguirre is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit.

LTG Izaguirre and her husband Joseph Izaguirre remain grounded through the joy and adventures of parenting their five children.



Chief Warrant Officer 5 Deanna L. Hughes

**Outgoing Command Chief Warrant Officer
United States Army Medical Command**

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Deanna L. Hughes is the 1st Command Chief Warrant Officer, United States Army Medical Command and Senior Warrant Officer Advisor to The Surgeon General. Prior to her appointment as Command Chief Warrant Officer, she served as the Command Chief Warrant Officer, United States Army Medical Center of Excellence.

CW5 Hughes enlisted in the Army in May 1991 and completed Advanced Individual Training as a 35G Bio-Medical Equipment Technician (now 68A). In 1998 she completed the 91B Health Care Specialist Course (now 68W) at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. In 2004 she was accessed into the 670A Health Services Maintenance Warrant Officer Program and graduated Warrant Officer Candidate School in March 2005.

Her previous assignments as a Warrant Officer include: Maintenance Platoon Leader, 591st Medical Logistics Company; Command Maintenance Officer, 30th Medical Brigade; Command Maintenance Officer (TF 30th), USFOR-A, Afghanistan; Chief, Equipment Management Branch, Fort Belvoir Community Hospital (Joint); Chief, Equipment Management Branch, Tripler Army Medical Center; Chief, Medical Equipment and Technology Management ARCENT (FWD); Chief, Medical Maintenance Management Division (M3D) 6th Medical Logistics Management Center; Director, Healthcare Technology Management, Brooke Army Medical Center; Program Director, Medical Education and Training Campus (METC) Joint Bio-Medical Equipment Technician (BMET) Training Program; Command Chief Warrant Officer, United States Army Medical Center of Excellence.

CW5 Hughes holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management, a Master of Science degree in Project Management and holds a professional certification in Project Management (PMP). Her Professional Military Education includes Warrant Officer Senior Service Education; Warrant Officer Staff Course-Intermediate-Level Education; AMEDD Captains Career Course; Army Medical Department Warrant Officer Advanced Course; Medical Logistics Management Course (70K); and the Warrant Officer Basic Course.

CW5 Hughes' military awards include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal; Defense Meritorious Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal (six Oak Leaf Clusters); Army Commendation Medal (five Oak Leaf Clusters); Army Achievement Medal (ten Oak Leaf Clusters). Army Good Conduct Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal (two bronze stars); Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal; Korea Defense Service Medal; Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal; Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon; Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon (numeral seven); and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal. She holds The Surgeon General's 9A Designation and is the recipient of the distinguished Sergeant Audie Murphy Award. CW5 Hughes is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit (O2M3).

CW5 Hughes and her husband COL (Ret) Brian Hughes have raised two sons who also serve our country. In addition to their military service, they devote their free time to supporting their children and grandchildren.



Chief Warrant Officer 5

Terrence D. Ward

Incoming Command Chief Warrant Officer
United States Army Medical Command

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Terrence D. Ward currently serves as the Veterinary Corps Chief Warrant Officer of the Branch and concurrently serves as the Senior Veterinary Corps Warrant Officer Consultant to The Surgeon General. In 2025, CW5 Ward was assigned as the Command Food Safety Officer for Public Health Command-East, Fort Meade, Maryland.

CW5 Ward enlisted in the Army in November 1994 and completed Advanced Individual Training as a 77F Petroleum Supply Specialist (now 92F). In 1998 CW5 Ward completed his second advanced individual training as a 91S Preventive Medicine Specialist (now 68S). In 2007 he was accessed into the 640A Veterinary Food Safety Officer program and graduated from Warrant Officer Candidate School in April 2008.

His previous assignments as a Warrant Officer include Quality Assurance Officer, Defense Commissary Agency-Europe; Food Safety Officer, Public Health Command District, Northern Europe; Senior Food Safety Officer, 248th Medical Detachments Veterinary Service Support (MDVSS); Senior Food Safety Officer, Task Force Medical - Afghanistan (TF28 Med-A); Consumer Safety Officer, Defense Commissary Agency-Pacific; Senior Food Safety Officer, Veterinary Readiness Activity, Fort Belvoir; Command Food Safety Officer, Public Health Command, East.

CW5 Ward holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Food Science from North Carolina State University and a professional certification as a Preventive Controls Qualified Individual (PCQI). His Professional Military Education includes Warrant Officer Senior Course; Warrant Officer Staff Course-Intermediate-Level Education; AMEDD Captains Career Course; Army Medical Department Warrant Officer Advanced Course; and the Warrant Officer Basic Course (640A).

CW5 Ward's military awards include the Bronze Star Medal; Defense Meritorious Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster); Joint Service Commendation Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster); Army Commendation Medal (four Oak Leaf Clusters); Joint Service Achievement Medal; Army Achievement Medal (seven Oak Leaf Clusters); Army Good Conduct Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Kosovo Campaign Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon; Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon (numeral four); and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal. He holds The Surgeon General's 9A Designation and earned the Veterinary Food Safety Officer Exceptional Service Award. CW5 Ward is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit (O2M3).

CW5 Ward and his wife, Kalila, are dedicated parents of three and proud grandparents of two grandchildren. In his spare time, he enjoys reading thrillers, playing golf, and relaxing with his family.

History of the Command Chief Warrant Officer

The MEDCOM Command Chief Warrant Officer is the Senior Warrant Officer in the United States Army Medical Command and a primary member of the MEDCOM Command Team, who serves as an Advisor to The Surgeon General and Commanding General, United States Army Medical Command on technical issues pertaining to policies, programs and actions impacting the command. The Command Chief Warrant Officer provides technical expertise and advice to the Command Group, staff and subordinate commands to ensure mission accomplishment through the execution of mission command.

MEDCOM'S Command Chief Warrant Officer charter charges him or her to provide technical guidance for the development of the future of the medical command, medical activities and technical capabilities; assist the Commanding General and staff by providing oversight of Warrant Officer talent management; and serve as a member of the Army Senior Warrant Officer Council.

The Army Song

*March along, sing our song,
with the Army of the free.
Count the brave, count the true,
who have fought to victory.
We're the Army and proud of our name!
We're the Army and proudly proclaim:*

*First to fight for the right
And to build the Nation's might,
And The Army Goes Rolling Along.
Proud of all we have done,
Fighting till the battle's won,
And the Army Goes Rolling Along.*

*Then it's hi! hi! hey!
The Army's on its way.
Count off the cadence loud and strong;
(Two! Three!)
For where'er we go,
You will always know
That The Army Goes Rolling Along.*

