



# Expeditionary Medical Support

## Highlights

### EMEDS Basic

- Brings medical equipment and supplies, and builds to a total of three tents
- Maintains 28 medical personnel
- Ability to care for a population at risk (PAR) of 500-2,000 personnel
- In addition to surgical care, provides primary medical care; has four holding beds that rely on aeromedical evacuation to transport patients to more extensive medical facilities

### EMEDS + 10

- Builds to a total of six tents
- Maintains 57 personnel
- Ability to care for a PAR of 2,000-3,000 personnel
- Ability to care for ten medical or surgical patients for an extended period of time
- Ancillary services include laboratory, radiology, pharmacy, and dental
- Legal and fiscal protections

### EMEDS + 25

- Builds to a total of nine tents, a staff of 85, and cares for a PAR of 3,000-5,000 or more
- Adds ancillary physical therapy
- Care for a mix of 25 surgical and medical inpatients



## Providing services, medical equipment, and supplies in time of need

**Capability:** The Air National Guard's Expeditionary Medical Support (EMEDS) is a modular, scalable, rapid response medical package that can be used in humanitarian relief, wartime contingencies and disaster response operations. The package contains three unique and distinct building blocks: EMEDS Basic, EMEDS+10 and EMEDS+25 personnel and specialized equipment components.

**Overview:** The Air National Guard Medical Service (ANGMS) began transitioning to EMEDS in 2002. Currently the ANGMS has 52 EMEDS Basic, 15 EMEDS+10 and three EMEDS +25 personnel packages. To complement the personnel packages, ANGMS has acquired EMEDS equipment sets that are chemically protected. Air National Guard rapid response EMEDS packages have deployed in support of Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Wilma, and the tornado in Greensburg, Kan.

**Locations:** The ANGMS has an EMEDS Basic personnel package in every state plus Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico. The 15 EMEDS +10 personnel packages are located throughout the United States in every FEMA Region. In addition, three EMEDS+25 personnel packages are strategically located throughout the United States for a rapid response. All EMEDS equipment sets are geographically located at the following sites to reduce response times within the United States: Forbes Field, Kan., Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash., and Willow Grove Air Reserve Station, Pa.