

Congratulations!!!!

You have been selected to attend the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine Contingency Operations Course (CONOPS) B30ZYCONOP-000 or B30ZYCONOP7-000.

Class begins promptly at 0730 on Monday, 7 June 04 in building 775, classroom 136. A San Antonio area, Brooks City-Base, and USAFSAM map are attached for your convenience. At present your class is billeted on base. Please keep in mind this is subject to change. It is recommended that you check with billeting prior to your arrival. For billeting information, call the 24-hour billeting office number (210) 536-1844, DSN 240-1844. Commercial taxi service is available to and from the San Antonio Airport. You might consider asking your unit to fund for a rental vehicle. Many of the eating establishments are NOT within walking distance; however, **please note that USAFSAM will not reimburse you for a rental vehicle.**

Contingency Preventive Medicine is a field oriented hands-on course. Attire for the entire course is the Battle Dress Uniform (BDU). We will spend two days in the field (no overnight stays). Expect to get dirty and wet during the field exercises. You should bring at least 2 sets of BDUs. You will treat at least one uniform with Permethrin. All other field equipment will be provided for you. June daytime temperatures can average 72-91 degrees with nighttime lows averaging 65-80 degrees so please dress appropriately.

There are no exams in the Contingency Preventive Medicine course. You and your team, however will be evaluated and receive a grade based on written scenario reports and oral presentations. There will be very little class time to prepare your scenario exercise reports so **plan for evening and weekend work time.**

It is suggested you visit these two web sites prior to the course. They will be very helpful to you as you gather information for your report. Both require a login name and password, but you must request an account from your ".mil" address; the agencies will not send a response to a "yahoo" or "hotmail" account.

<https://afml.ft-detrick.af.mil/afmlo/index.cfm> - click on the readiness tab (UTC Table of Allowances)

<https://mic.afmic.detrick.army.mil/> - Armed Forces Medical Intelligence Center website (important for med Intel and medical planning)

<http://vets.amedd.army.mil/vetcom/> - VETCOM website for approved food sources (login required for CENTCOM only)

<http://www.tripprep.com> - Shoreland (Old TRAVAX) web site for medical intelligence  
Also, many work e-mail accounts can be accessed from the internet. Please visit your computer support personnel for instructions.

We currently have 30 Pentium computers with Windows, Microsoft Word and PowerPoint available for your use. You are encouraged to bring a laptop computer if you desire to work at locations other than our computer lab. If you decide to bring a laptop, please ensure it has Norton Anti-Virus software installed.

During the day you can be reached at DSN 240-2058 or 2059 or commercial (210) 536-2058 or 2059. Our fax is DSN 240-3208 or commercial (210) 536-3208.

**Please bring at least four copies of your TDY orders/amendments and an extra copy of your airline itinerary with you for registration on day one.** The course is 9 and 1/2 days and will end at approximately 1300 hours on Friday, 18 June 04. We will not release students prior to 1300 hours, so make your departure reservations accordingly. San Antonio International Airport recommends arriving at the airport 1-2 hours prior to departure. Also, please plan for increased traffic on San Antonio highways around 4-6 pm.

We hope you will find the Contingency Preventive Medicine course both challenging and rewarding. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to e-mail me or call DSN 240-1955.

Have a safe trip and we'll see you soon!

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