



# BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

## COLONEL (DR.) CHARLES W. MACKETT III



Colonel (Doctor) Charles W. Mackett was born in Buffalo, New York. As the Commander, 6th Medical Group, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida, he is responsible for providing world class prevention and healthcare services to a global air mobility wing and 51 mission partner units including two combatant commanders. Colonel Mackett oversees the Department of Defense's largest single catchment area supporting over 103,000 warfighters, retirees and their families with 155,000 clinic visits and 68,000 clinical procedures annually. He accomplishes this with a staff of nearly 800 military, civilian and contract personnel and a resource allocation exceeding \$346 million.

Colonel Mackett entered the US Air Force Reserves in 1978 after completing his Bachelor of Science Degree in Preprofessional Studies at the University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana. He entered extended active duty in 1982 when he received his Doctor of Medicine Degree from the State University of New York, Upstate Medical Center, in Syracuse, New York. Colonel Mackett completed internship and residency at the David Grant USAF Medical Center, Travis AFB, California in 1985. He is board certified in Family Practice and Geriatrics. Colonel Mackett served as Family Practice consultant to the AFMC and USAFE Surgeons and as a team leader for the AF Surgeon General's reengineering of medical readiness. He earned flight surgeon wings in 1988 as a Distinguished Graduate of the Aerospace Medicine Primary Course at Brooks AFB, Texas.

Colonel Mackett is a graduate of the Air Command and Staff College as well as an Outstanding Graduate of the Air War College. He is an active senior flight surgeon with flying hours in aeromedical evacuation, air refueling, cargo, rescue, surveillance and training aircraft. His missions include those in support of Operations NORTHERN WATCH, SOUTHERN WATCH, and NOBLE EAGLE.

### EDUCATION:

- 1978 Bachelor of Science in Preprofessional Studies, cum laude, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana
- 1982 Doctor of Medicine, State University of New York, Upstate Medical Center, Syracuse, New York
- 1985 Family Practice Residency, David Grant USAF Medical Center, Travis AFB, California
- 1986 USAF Global Medicine Course, Brooks AFB, Texas
- 1988 Aerospace Medicine Primary Course, Distinguished Graduate, Brooks AFB, Texas
- 1990 Family Practice Faculty Development Fellowship, University of North Carolina School of Medicine, Chapel Hill, North Carolina
- 1994 Air Command and Staff College (by seminar)
- 1998 Air War College, Outstanding Graduate (by seminar)
- 1999 Joint Task Force Surgeon Course, US Joint Forces Command, Norfolk, Virginia
- 2000 USAF Chief of Professional Services Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas

2003 Interagency Institute for Federal Healthcare Executives, George Washington University, Washington, DC

**ASSIGNMENTS:**

1. July 1978 – August 1978, USAF Officer Training School, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. August 1978 – May 1982, AFIT HPSP Student, State University of New York, Upstate Medical Center, Syracuse, New York
3. June 1982 – June 1985, Family Practice Resident, David Grant USAF Medical Center, Travis AFB, California
4. June 1985 – March 1987, Assistant Director of Emergency Services and Triage Officer, 655th Tactical Hospital, Yokota Air Base, Japan
5. March 1987 – January 1993, Assistant Professor of Family Medicine, Director of the Student Health Clinic and Director of Family Practice Clinical Clerkships, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland.
6. January 1993 – June 1996 Assistant and Acting Program Director, Family Practice Residency, 89th Medical Group, Andrews AFB, Maryland
7. September 1994 – November 1994, Commander, Expanded Air Transportable Clinic, Operation UPHOLD DEMOCRACY, Port Au Prince, Haiti
8. June 1996 – June 1999, Family Practice Flight Commander, Program Director and Family Practice Consultant to the AFMC Surgeon, Family Practice Residency, 96th Medical Group Eglin AFB, Florida
9. June 1999 – August 2000, Commander, 52d Medical Operations Squadron, Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany
10. July 2000, Commander, 52d Air Expeditionary Group, MEDCEUR/RESCUE EAGLE 00-2, Babadag, Romania
11. August 2000 – May 2001, Deputy Commander, Chief of Professional Services and Family Practice Consultant to the USAFE Surgeon, 52d Medical Group, Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany
12. May 2001 – July 2003, Commander, 45th Medical Group and Assistant for Bioastronautics, Department of Defense Manned Space Flight Support Office, Patrick AFB, Florida
13. July 2003 – current, Commander, 6th Medical Group, MacDill AFB, Florida

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Legion of Merit  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal  
Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Joint Service Commendation Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal  
Air Force Achievement Medal  
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters  
National Defense Service Medal with bronze star  
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

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|--------------------|-----------------|
| Second Lieutenant  | 18 January 1978 |
| First Lieutenant   | 18 January 1982 |
| Captain            | 16 May 1982     |
| Major              | 16 May 1988     |
| Lieutenant Colonel | 16 May 1994     |
| Colonel            | 16 May 2000     |

(Current as of 8 Jan 04)