



AMEDD-DCC FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)



Listed below are the most commonly asked question upon arriving to the course for preparation. Take time to review questions for it may provide answers or guidance in preparing for the course.

COURSE PREPERATION / ENROLLMENT / TRAVEL

✚ What Can I do to prepare for the course?

Begin a physical training regimen by referring to the Physical Preparation instructions on the webpage ([Army Pocket Physical Training Guide.pdf](#)) and study the Army rank structure for Soldiers, Non-Commissioned, Warrant Officers, and Commissioned Officers. If possible purchase all required uniform before arriving as Military Clothing and Sales often runs out of most common sizes. Arrive with the correct items listed on the Packing List.

✚ Do I need do anything if I withdraw from the course or will not be able to attend?

If you are no longer in the scheduled class or no longer plan to attend the scheduled class, immediately notify the organization that scheduled you to attend (recruiter, NG or Reserve unit, or Health Professionals Scholarship Program administration) to have your name removed from the **Army Training Requirements and Resources System (ATRRS)** list. If you fail to show and you are on the ATRRS list at report date, you will be reported as a "NO SHOW". We at AMEDD-DCC cannot remove you from the ATRRS list or reschedule, this is something you have to coordinate through your unit/branch representative

✚ How do I get my orders for AMEDD-DCC?

Fort Sill and specifically AMEDD-DCC are not involved with the Orders process. A Welcome letter email to you is not official travel orders. You need to contact your unit representative, S3/S4 or the HPSP management (whichever applies) to receive those. You can try your HRC branch manager; 502-613- 6838/ DSN: 983-6838, and be prepared to tell them to which medical branch you belong so they can properly transfer you. If HRC is sending orders they will come via email to your military email, and may be in your Spam folder.

✚ Do I need a DD Form 1610 (Travel Authorization)?

Only if you do not receive Official Orders and have exhausted the means above to obtain Official Orders. Reserve/Guard please work directly with your NCOIC for orders.

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What is a DD Form 1610?

A DD form 1610 is a Travel Authorization. It states that your chain of command authorizes you to travel on W days, by X conveyance, to Y location, for a duration of Z days. It also has some very important information; one, that it is signed by your chain of command or finance people, and two, it has the reimbursement authorization allowing you to get paid upon return.

What do I do if my flight or travel plans are delayed?

If you have any questions or issues before arrival, contact the instructor of the day desk at (580) 558-5214 or the First Sergeant at (580) 558-5217

Can I bring my vehicle?

Yes. Vehicles may be driven to the course, but will be parked and non-accessible for the duration of the course. No, for HPSP students as transportation will be provided to BOLC-B.

ADMINISTRATIVE / DOCUMENTS

What documents if any do I need to bring?

See Welcome Letter. If you are already in DEERs, and your family is already in DEERs, then you don't need to bring your documents. But, make sure someone is standing by to mail or email should something go wrong. If you are new to the Army, and want to start Basic Allowance for Housing, and get paid for dependents, and are not already in DEERs (meaning you probably do not have an ID card) then you will need to bring original documents, not certified copies.

What is DEERS?

DEERS is the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) and processes your information so you may receive a Common Access Card (CAC) to access all of your military personnel and work-related items. It is critical you bring all of the documents in the packing list to ensure you are efficiently processed in DEERS.

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What medical records do I need to bring?

The medical and dental records required is mainly for prior service that may have a military medical record already established. We will draw blood here to determine your immunization requirements and give you a medical in-processing regardless of your records. If you have your Logistics Health Incorporation (LHI) records, please bring them or have them available on digits. Those records will be uploaded into MEDPROS but only if you supply them.

My Reserve/National Guard ID is about to expire; what do I do?

You will be able to get a replacement when you arrive here. Ensure you bring the required documents referenced in the welcome letter.

Are any additional documents required to get into the installation?

The only thing required to get onto the installation is a government issued ID card (such as a state issued driver's license or passport with your orders)

FINANCE

How much money should I bring?

We recommend \$1,500 in funds to make all the necessary purchases needed to complete the course. This will cover the cost of uniforms and toiletries purchased during the course. We do not recommend bringing all cash. It may take up to 2-3 weeks before your pay is able to be fully processed. Please be sure your personal finances at home are in order before coming to DCC. Refer to welcome letter for Army resources in regards to financial assistance.

Guard and Reserve: Please contact your unit NCOIC regarding any pay issues and your Leave and Earning Statement (LES). Assistance with financial issues for reserve/guard are very limited on Fort Sill.

Will National Guard or Reserve receive BAH while at AMEDD-DCC?

If your orders read training for 30 days (and over) you will receive full BAH based on your location of residence. If your orders read training for 29 days (and under) you will receive a flat rate BAH.

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MEDICAL / FAMILY ISSUES

- ✚ If I have a medical issue or on a medical profile can I still attend the course?

If you have any medical condition or family issue that may prevent you from completing this course, talk to your unit representative or HPSP to possibly reschedule. This goes for those with possible child births imminent, family member deaths expected, weddings you are to be in, child graduations you need to attend, etc. You will have plenty of opportunity to miss those type of events in your career. Control what you can, now, while you can.

REPORTING (ARRIVAL)

- ✚ When should I arrive?

Please arrange to arrive between 12pm and 6pm. That will include the two hour bus ride from Oklahoma City, and 30 minute ride from Lawton airports.

- ✚ What if I arrive 6pm?

Contact the IOD desk at 580-558-5214 on day of travel so that appropriate staff will be available to receive you. If IOD is unavailable contact First Sergeant at 580-558-5217.

- ✚ When and where do I report?

Please refer to welcome letter

- ✚ Can I bring my family?

No. family members are not allowed during the duration of the course

- ✚ Can I bring my pets?

NO

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GRADUATION

✚ Can my family attend graduation?

Yes, upon completion of the course family members are welcome to attend the graduation ceremony. Travel arrangements and lodging will be at their own expense of the family members. We will pass venue information once we lock in the number of attendees. Family members will also need to go to the Fort Sill visitor's center to obtain a visitor's pass in order get on base. (please be sure they plan their arrival time accordingly).

✚ Will the graduation ceremony be livestreamed?

Yes the ceremony will be livestreamed through the AMEDD-DCC Facebook page for family members to watch remotely.

✚ Will I need the Army Green Service Uniform (AGSU) to graduate?

No. The graduation uniform will be in ACUs (Army Combat Uniform)

✚ What if there is a gap between the AMEDD-DCC graduation date and the BOLC-B start date?

If you are Active Duty and you have leave acquired you may be able to use that. Typically though, Active Duty Soldiers earn 2.5 days per month, so you won't have enough days leave saved up. The battery Commander may authorize up to 10 days negative leave balance, but that is his/her choice based on the situation. You cannot just disappear as you are getting paid. You are either accounted for on leave (somewhere) or you are at work (here at Fort Sill) or signed in to Fort Sam Houston.

If you are a Guard or Reserve Soldier, that gets complicated and we will have to see what your Travel Authorization orders say. If they say you are to return home prior to going to Fort Sam Houston that means you stop getting paid for that time away and you don't need the leave. If they don't, then you are staying with us until your report travel time. Fort Sam Houston does not allow for early reporting.

If you are HPSP, you will only have 2 day window between graduation and reporting to BOLC-B. You will not be able to take leave or pass at that time. Transportation is provided and you will be bussed down to Fort Sam Houston.

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APPERANCE / UNIFORM

✚ Should I have a fresh haircut when I report?

Yes. Refer to Army Regulation (AR) 670-1 for male and female applicable standards.

✚ Can I wear make-up?

Yes. Females must wear make-up in accordance with (AR) 670-1

✚ Do I need to have the Army Service Uniform (ASU) while at AMEDD-DCC?

No. We do not require the ASUs or other Dress Uniforms at DCC. You may be required to have it at BOLC-B, so plan accordingly

✚ What hairstyles are authorized for females?

Review AR 670-1 for all female authorized hairstyles

✚ Do I need to bring civilian clothes?

If you have been issued, or you possess military uniforms (physical fitness and/or combat uniform) you will wear military clothing and not civilian clothing while attending AMEDD-DCC. You will only wear civilian clothing if you do not have military uniforms upon arrival

✚ My recruiter gave me a PT shirt with their logo on it. Can I wear that for PT?

If your recruiter or HPSP representative gave you a shirt to wear for drill weekends or whatever, those are not authorized here. Those are unit morale shirts. As such, our Cadre wears Chaos Battery unit morale shirts, but we do not wear those while TDY to other locations. You, therefore, cannot wear recruiter issued PT gear, that is not official Army PFU while here. The only exception is those personnel who arrive without official Army PT gear, and they may wear those type shirts or clothing for PT until we take you to Military Clothing sales.

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✚ Do I need to sew on my rank prior to arrival?

No. But you will wear your rank while here. If you sew on your rank you will also sew on the name strips. Sewn on rank and name tapes do not get lost in the laundry and on the ranges.

LODGING / ITEMS / PASSES

✚ Where will I be residing during the course?

You will be living in the Barracks for Army Medical Direct Commission Course students

✚ Am I authorized to take leave or pass during the course? (outside of designated on-post pass)

NO. Information will be provided during the course regarding leave – liberty privileges which is at the discretion of the commander

✚ Do I need a laptop /computer?

You need some means of accessing the internet in order to view class presentations that will be sent out for study aids. You will also need access to email and ability to read and sign pdf documents. So it is recommended that you bring a laptop.

✚ Can I bring soda?

Shelf-stable food in sealable containers is OK. You will NOT have access to refrigeration. Protein shakes are fine. So is Tang, Kool-Aid, and other beverage powders. All food must be sealable/contained against ants and other bugs. Whatever you bring you will carry and there is no elevator.

✚ Can I bring hot plates or a jet-boil?

NO.

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✚ Why do I need to bring a cup or bottle for water?

We have a touchless water-filtration equipped fountain on each floor of the barracks for your use. We will issue Camelbacks later in the course for use during training. We do not have vending machines, bottled water, or juice boxes available, with the exception of juice and milk at breakfast and dinner. You will drink water from this fountain and you may bring beverage powders to flavor it.

✚ Do I need a padlock?

Yes you need a lock. The rooms do not lock and we do not issue locks for wall lockers. If you bring a padlock and you lose the key...you might be locked out for a while. Combination locks are also authorized.

MISCELLANEOUS

✚ Will I have time to work on work from home or medical school?

No, the focus the course is for you to graduate this course with a basic understanding of Army warrior task, systems, and processes. You will have a few hours each evening to conduct personal hygiene, do you laundry, and prepare for the following days training

✚ What will my mailing address be?

Use the mailing address below for receiving mail but you must use UPS or FedEx. If you use USPS, it will take longer to arrive because it must go through post, brigade, battalion, and then to the battery. USPS items will not arrive till after you graduate

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