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Keep 'Em Flying at 75: The Organizational Evolution of the Air Force Medical Service

Originally a component of the Army Medical Department, the structure of the Air Force Medical Service reflects its own operational imperatives. From evaluating and maintaining fitness to fly at ever greater speeds and altitudes, to organizing and administering a hospital system, and creating an entirely novel system of patient movement, the evolution of the AFMS is an object lesson in organizing to meet the mission and “Keep ‘em flying!”

Image: Two flares dropped by B-17 returning from a mission indicate wounded aboard. Two medical crews wait to give first aid to the men. England. Photo courtesy of National Archives and Records Administration.

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