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From: Officer in Charge, Fleet Hospital Operations and Training  
Center, Camp Pendleton, CA  
To: Commanding Officer, ORE Fleet Hospital  
Subj: OPERATIONAL READINESS EVALUATION (ORE)

1. Welcome to the Fleet Hospital Operations and Training Center. You have been selected to participate in an evaluation of your command's readiness to perform its assigned mission as a forward-deployed Combat Zone Fleet Hospital. This evaluation will focus on the "Core" group of your Fleet Hospital personnel. You will be evaluated on the leadership of both your officers and enlisted, and all functions that are unique to a Fleet Hospital. During this evaluation the focus will be on those things that can be demonstrated or observed. This will include, but not necessarily be limited to, command organizational skills, internal and external communications, erecting and equipping the hospital, demonstration of knowledge on set up and operation of various equipment items (medical and non-medical), security operations, marshaling procedures, patient handling, etc. Some of these functions will be in the form of a demonstration of the needed skills vice full performance of the function, i.e. site preparation and grading. By reviewing and becoming very familiar with the SOP's of the Fleet Hospital, you should accomplish these tasks easily. These SOPs can easily be referenced on the FHOTC website found under "Standard Operating Procedures".

2. Attached to the website are the evaluation criteria and documents your Fleet Hospital will need to prepare for the ORE. The scenario is that you have just arrived at the forward-deployed site and have been directed to receive and care for casualties as soon as possible. How you achieve that goal marks one of your first decision points. Are you prepared to begin lay out and assembly of the Fleet Hospital, or is refresher training by a member of the Fleet Hospital Assist Team (FHAT) needed first? The FHAT Team, a group of approximately 6-8 members of my training staff, is your only resource to achieve this goal. These members are to provide general guidance in all aspects of the Fleet Hospital assembly and operations.

3. A team under my supervision will be observing and evaluating your performance during the eight day evolution utilizing their own expertise and the evaluation checklists provided to you. The FHAT team will also be evaluated as an effective resource concurrently with the Fleet Hospital personnel.

4. I have every confidence that your Fleet Hospital will complete the ORE successfully. Upon completion of the evaluation, a final write-up will be forwarded to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) for final determination as the "Ready Fleet Hospital". Good Luck!

5. My POC for any question regarding the ORE process is LT Carrillo at Comm (760) 725-7117, ext 221 or DSN 365-7117, ext 221. His e-mail address is rjcarrillo@cpn.med.navy.mil.

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