



Rear Adm. Kevin J. Brown

Director, Defense Health Network Pacific Rim, Defense Health Agency

Rear Adm. Kevin J. Brown began his military career in 1993 upon entering the Medical University of Ohio where he attended medical school as a recipient of the United States Navy Health Professions Scholarship Program. He graduated in 1997 and transferred to Naval Hospital Jacksonville where he completed a family medicine internship and residency. Upon completion of residency in 2000, he was assigned to Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital at the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center in Twentynine Palms, California. There, Brown delivered full scope medical care to include inpatient and outpatient obstetric, pediatric, and adult medicine for three years.

In September 2003, he reported to the Naval Health Clinic Annapolis, Maryland, at the United States Naval Academy, practicing family medicine until being selected for the Aerospace Medicine residency in 2007. He reported for training at Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida, serving as flight surgery class leader and chief resident for the combined U.S. Navy/U.S. Army Aerospace Medicine program. Upon graduation, Brown reported to USS Enterprise as the senior medical officer and Carrier Strike Group TWELVE surgeon. During his tenure onboard, he led the team to three consecutive Blue “M” and Blue “H” awards for quality health care and health promotion and completed two fleet training cycles with subsequent combat deployments in 2011 and 2012. Brown reported to Naval Medical Center Portsmouth in August 2013 where his duties included membership on the Command Executive Board while serving as director, Public Health Services for one year and then director, Primary Care and Branch Health Clinics for two years. He concurrently served as the interim chief operating officer and medical director for the Tidewater Multiservice Market from 2014 to 2015.

Brown was assigned as Naval Air Forces surgeon from 2016 to 2018 and then completed his Executive Officer tour at Naval Hospital Jacksonville, Florida, in 2020. In support of the COVID-19 pandemic, he deployed to Texas, Louisiana, New York, and Connecticut as commanding officer of Expeditionary Medical Facility-Mike in 2020. He completed a tour of duty as fleet surgeon, U.S. Fleet Forces Command in July 2022 and a command tour at Naval Medical Center Camp Lejeune, Jacksonville, North Carolina, in May 2024. His most recent assignment was as Commander, Naval Medical Forces Atlantic, and Director, Defense Health Network Atlantic.

Brown’s medical awards include Naval Hospital Jacksonville’s Intern of the Year, 1998; Naval Hospital Jacksonville’s Resident of the Year, 2000; Naval Hospital Jacksonville’s OB/GYN Resident of the Year, 2000; Naval Hospital Jacksonville’s Resident Teacher Award, 2000. He is board-certified in both family medicine and preventive medicine and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Practice. Brown holds a Master of Public Health from the Uniformed Services

University in Bethesda, Maryland, and a Master of Business Administration from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California.

Brown's individual military awards include Legion of Merit (three awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (three awards). Rear Adm. Brown is a designated Naval Flight Surgeon and Surface Warfare Medical Department Officer.