

Commander Jason R. Switzer Medical Service Corps, United States Navy

Commander Switzer enlisted in the United States Navy in April 2000 from San Antonio, TX and attended Electrician's Mate "A" School in Great Lakes, Illinois. As an enlisted Electrician's Mate, he served aboard USS Inchon (MCS-12), Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit ONE (MDSU-1), and the U.S. Naval Academy, Waterfront Readiness Department. While stationed in Maryland, he volunteered several off-duty hours at Naval Health Clinic Annapolis, working for the Director for Administration on various assignments including instructions, awards, and patient administration items. He continued to hone his administrative skills and was subsequently selected for commissioning in the Medical Service Corps through In Service Procurement.

Upon completion of Officer Development School in April 2009, LTJG Switzer reported to Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point as Department Head (DH) of Patient Administration (PAD) for a year and then Human Resources/Manpower DH. Following promotion to Lieutenant, he volunteered to deploy on the USNS COMFORT (T-AH 20) in support of Continuing Promise 2011. During the deployment, he achieved the Surface Warfare Medical Department Officer qualification. Later that year, he was selected as Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point 2011 MSC Officer of the Year.

Once his tour completed, he transferred to Fleet Surgical Team EIGHT in Norfolk, VA. There he served as the Medical Regulating Control Officer for several underway periods with numerous MEDEVACS. During this time, he obtained his Executive Medicine (A67) Additional Qualification Designator (AQD) and served as the Interim Officer in Charge (OIC) on several occasions.

In May 2014, LT Switzer reported to U.S. Naval Hospital Rota as DH, PAD and served in that role for three years. During this time, he implemented the European-wide Suitability Review Committee, led two Strategic Goals, and was named the 2016 Junior PAD of the Year.

He reported to the Navy's newest Medical Center in Camp Lejeune as the DH of PAD where he supervises 100 personnel and a myriad of complex programs. He was selected for the next rank and during this tour, was by-name-selected for a role as a Reserve Liaison aboard USS New York (LPD-21) and worked with the Navy's first Role II Light Maneuver (R2LM). This all-reservist team was a surgical augmentation during disaggregated operations for the BATARG/26 MEU while in the U.S. 2nd, 4th, 5th and 6th fleet.

In July 2020, Jason's newest assignment is at the Office of the Medical Inspector General (M00IG) where he serves as one of the inspectors on small but valuable team of 14 personnel. There he inspects several different programs and assist the Navy Inspector General with Focus Group Site Surveys.

Jason new duty station in Bethesda, Maryland is on the campus of Walter Reed at Naval Medical Leader and Professional Development Command as the MSC DUINS Program Director.

Commander Switzer's personal awards include three Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, four Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals, two Navy Good Conduct Medals, the National Defense Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Military Outstanding Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment ribbon, two Oversea Service ribbons, Expert Rifle and Pistol Qualification and various other unit and service awards.