

AFSC 44G4, Staff
AFSC 44G3, Qualified
AFSC 44G1, Entry

★GENERAL PRACTICE PHYSICIAN
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1. Specialty Summary. Examines, diagnoses, and treats diseases and injuries; manages outpatient and ward services. Related DoD Occupational Group: 260109.

2. Duties and Responsibilities:

- 2.1. Manages primary care services. Examines, diagnoses, and treats diseases and injuries. Prepares and reviews case histories and obtains data through interviews. Assembles and evacuates sick and wounded personnel. Examines patients and determines x-ray examinations and clinical laboratory tests required. Interprets test results and evaluates examination findings. Conducts ward rounds and prescribes therapy. Administers and prescribes such conservative measures of treatment as antibiotics, drugs, and compresses. Performs minor surgical procedures. Determines need for and assists in specialized medical care and treatment. May be granted additional privileges and responsibilities based on documented advanced proficiency.
- 2.2. Coordinates medical service programs. Coordinates health service and patient care with military and civilian medical agencies. Participates in meetings of professional societies and clinics. Confers with commanders and staff members concerning manning, equipping, operating, and training of medical installations, facilities, and units. Advises commanders on matters affecting health and welfare of personnel.
- 2.3. Directs outpatient and ward services. Formulates plans and procedures for outpatient and ward services. Schedules activities and assigns medical officers, interns, nurses, and medical technicians. Advises on kind and quantity of medical supplies and equipment. Coordinates outpatient and ward services with other medical activities. Instructs medical technicians in first-aid measures.

3. ★Specialty Qualifications:

- 3.1. Knowledge. Fulfillment of education requirement satisfies this requirement.
- 3.2. Education. For entry into this specialty, a Doctor of Medicine degree or a doctor of osteopathy degree from an approved school of medicine or osteopathy, and completion of 1 year of graduate medical education in a clinical specialty at a hospital acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF, is mandatory.
- 3.3. Training. Not used.
- 3.4. Experience. Not used.
- 3.5. Other. The following are mandatory:
 - 3.5.1. For entry and retention of AFSC 44G1, current enrollment in a one-year internship program acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF.
 - 3.5.2. For award and retention of AFSCs 44G3/4:
 - 3.5.2.1. ★Must obtain and maintain clinical privileges IAW DHA-PM 6025.13 Vol 4 and/or AFI 44-119, when applicable (or be immediately eligible for said privileges if assigned to a non-clinical position).
 - 3.5.2.2. A state license to practice medicine.
 - 3.5.3. ★For retention of AFSCs 44G3/4, must not have a revocation of privileges or permanent and substantial reduction, restriction, or denial of privileges IAW DHA-PM 6025.13 Vol 4 and/or AFI 44-119, when applicable.