

AFSC 44S4*, Staff
 AFSC 44S3*, Qualified
 AFSC 44S1*, Entry

★DERMATOLOGIST
(Changed 31 Oct 23)

1. Specialty Summary. Examines, diagnoses, and treats diseases of skin. Manages dermatological services. Related DoD Occupational Group: 260107.

2. Duties and Responsibilities:

2.1. Examines, diagnoses, and treats diseases of the skin. Prepares and reviews case histories and clinical records. Examines patients, performs biopsies, and other diagnostic techniques of dermatology, and determines requirements for clinical laboratory tests. Interprets test results and evaluates examination findings. Prescribes treatment, including x-ray therapy, physical therapy, and medication.

2.2. Manages dermatological services. Formulates plans and procedures for dermatological services. Schedules operation of diagnostic and treatment facilities and assigns nurses, physical therapists, x-ray therapists, and other medical technicians. Advises on types and quantity of dermatological supplies and equipment. Coordinates dermatological services with other medical activities. Instructs interns and residents in methods and procedures for diagnosis and treatment of dermatological diseases. Serves as consultant on dermatology.

3. Specialty Qualifications:

3.1. Knowledge. Fulfillment of the 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 is mandatory.

3.3. Training. Not used.

3.4. Experience. For award of AFSC 44S3, completion of a residency in dermatology acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF, is mandatory. For award of AFSC 44S3X, completion of a suffix-specific fellowship program acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF, is mandatory.

3.5. Other. The following are mandatory:

3.5.1. For entry and retention of AFSC 44S1, current enrollment in a dermatology residency program acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF. For award of AFSC 44S1X, current enrollment in a suffix-specific fellowship program acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF, is mandatory.

3.5.2. For award and retention of AFSCs 44S3X/4X:

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 44S3X/4X, 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.

4. *Specialty Shredouts:

Suffix Portion of AFS to Which Related

A	Dermatologic Surgery
B	Dermatopathology
C	Pediatric Dermatology