



## 2D MEDICAL BATTALION COMMAND PHILOSOPHY

My Command philosophy is straightforward and based on three essential components:

Mission – Family – Self

**Mission.** The Battalion's mission is to provide the best possible medical care and surgical intervention to the Marines and Sailors of II MEF, wherever and whenever we are deployed or called to act. To meet the mission, we must work to be the very best we can be at our given trade. With being and presenting our best, we inspire all to do the same while ultimately creating an optimal work environment.

**Family.** Everyone is part of a family whether it is immediate, extended or blended - those that mean the most to us. We also have another type of family - our Battalion family - Marines and Sailors working together to do and be our best. We need to make sure we take care of both sets of family members by watching out for one another, providing guidance and giving support to make relationships stronger.

**Self.** We must charge ourselves to be ethically, spiritually, physically and mentally fit and responsible with the actions we take and choices we make. We have to challenge ourselves to strengthen and improve in every way, not only for ourselves, but for the Marines and Sailors of our Battalion Family.

We must continually work to keep these three components in balance, for ourselves, for our families, and to meet the mission for the Marines and Sailors of II MEF.

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