

# RAF MEDIC (RESERVE) Medical Services



RAF Medical Services Mission – "To provide effective air-minded medical capability to enable the full spectrum of UK military tasks." "We Care for Air, We Care in the Air"

#### **KEY POINTS**

- Provide world-class, multi-role aviation focused medical capability in support of Air Power.
- Reserve service fully supported in policy by many employers, including the NHS.
- Versatility Skilled in a variety of roles from Pre-Hospital care, Aeromedical Evacuation, Healthcare Practice Management and more.

### SPECIALISATION OVERVIEW

The RAF Medic possesses a vast array of knowledge, skills and experience (KSE). Air minded, they are capable of delivering care in challenging environments using collaborative working to maximise resources to ensure Defence personnel are fit for task while optimising an effective care pathway from point of injury, anywhere in the world, to the UK.

The Reserve RAF Medic should be one of following: Registered Paramedic, Ambulance Technician, Emergency Care Assistant, Emergency Medical Technician, Health Care Assistant (NVQ Level 2/3) – working in either a Pre-Hospital Emergency setting or acute clinical care arena.

You will join your nearest geographically located RAF Medical Reserve unit 612 Squadron at Leuchars Station, Fife; 4626 Squadron at RAF Brize Norton, Oxfordshire: 502 Squadron at Flying Station Aldergrove, Northern Ireland; or 600 Squadron at RAF Northolt, Middlesex.

#### PROFESSION

Professions in the RAF are distinct areas of defence expertise where common skills and attributes are required to deliver on demand. The specialisation of RAF Medic is part of the Medical Services Profession within the RAF, which also includes Registered Nurse (Adult) and (Mental Health), Radiographer, Environmental Health Practitioner, Operating Department Practitioner, Biomedical Scientist, Pharmacy Technician and Dental Nurse. Service Personnel may be employed within a different specialisation in their Profession depending on their professional registration, qualifications, aptitiude, career aspirations and the Service need.

# **RECRUIT TRAINING**

Your training will commence with the Reserve Basic Recruit Training Course (BRTC(R) Part 1, lasting 8 days and delivered locally at your Squadron. BRTC(R) Part 2 is conducted at RAF Halton, Buckinghamshire, a 2-week residential course that should be completed within your first year in the RAF Reserves. BRTC is designed to prepare you for Service life and teaches basic military skills such as weapon handling and fieldcraft.

#### BENEFITS OF AN RAF ROLE

- Competitive pay, pension & annual tax-free lump sum
- Opportunity to support RAF on Operations in the UK and Overseas
- Enhance your professional skills
- Adventurous training opportunities
- Additional leave from many employers inc the NHS to fulfil Reserve commitment

# RESERVE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

# **RAF MEDIC (RESERVE)**

Age: 21-54 (Must attest before 55<sup>th</sup> birthday)

#### Qualifications:

GCSEs at Grade C (Grade 4 to 5 with effect from Aug 17) or above in English language and Mathematics; or SCE Standard Grades at Grade 2 or above or National 5 (Grade A to C) in English and Mathematics.

Must be working in one of the clinician roles detailed in the Specialisation Overview.

#### **SPECIALIST TRAINING**

Following BRTC you will undertake the Immediate Emergency Care Provider (IECP) training at the Defence Medical Academy at DMS Lichfield, Staffordshire. This course includes an introduction to military equipment, emergency procedures and an element of trauma and patient care. (Registered Paramedics are exempt from IECP). Additional training will be delivered online and during Training Weekends.

# ONGOING TRAINING/DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Other training/development opportunities may include:

Aeromedical Evacuation (including MERT) Battlefield Advanced Trauma Life Support Leadership and Management Training

# YOUR FUTURE CAREER PROSPECTS AND PROGRESSION

The RAF Reserve Medic Specialisation offers development opportunities throughout your service career with competitive promotion based on your KSE and qualifications (subject to a position being available).

Further Opportunities also exist in various locations throughout the UK and Overseas on Exercises and Operations.

# YOUR ENGAGEMENT

Your engagement will be for 12 years or to age 60.

The minimum annual commitment is 27 Reserve Service Days (RSD). This is broken down into 15 RSD (Annual Continuous Training) and 12 RSD (Non-Continuous Training).

You must continue to work one of the relevant fields highlighted above.

# FURTHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Funding may be available for clinical and non-clinical related courses.

# TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Wide range of accredited Clinical and Non-Clinical training and Continued Professional Development opportunities, including leadership and management, communication, problem-solving skills and teamwork. **Residency:** Whether or not you were born in the United Kingdom, you should have resided there for the 5 years immediately preceding your application. However, candidates with a minimum of 3 years will be considered.

**Nationality:** You must be a citizen of the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland, holder of dual UK/other nationality passport or have been a Commonwealth citizen since birth.

#### Pay Information:

https://www.raf.mod.uk/recruitment/roles/rolesfinder/medical-and-medical-support/raf-medic

**Selection**: You must pass a selection interview. You will be assessed on physical fitness and medical eligibility.

**A Modern Force**: The RAF recognises the value of a person's ability no matter their ethnicity, social background, religion or belief, gender identity, sexual orientation or marital status/civil partnership.

#### Register your interest in this role: Online:

https://www.raf.mod.uk/recruitment/roles/rolesfinder/medical-and-medical-support/raf-medic

#### or Telephone: 0345 606 9069

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