

Navy Deploys Medical Personnel to Support COVID-19 Response in New Orleans, Dallas



Master Chief Hospital Corpsman Thomas Holder, assigned to a U.S. Navy Expeditionary Medical Facility, directs bus traffic as Sailors prepare to deploy from Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida, to Dallas in support of the COVID-19 response. U.S. Navy/Jacob Sippel

WASHINGTON — U.S. Navy medical personnel assigned to Expeditionary Medical Facility-M (EMF-M) have deployed as part of a U.S. Northern Command-led COVID-19 response to support civil health authorities in existing facilities in New Orleans and Dallas, the Navy said in a release.

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The first 50 personnel with EMF-M deployed to New Orleans on April 1, with about 60 more arriving on April 4. They will work at the temporary federal medical station at Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans.

In addition, more than 170 personnel deployed to Dallas to work in a temporary federal medical station established there to assist local medical personnel.

Personnel assigned to Navy EMFs are trained to provide medical support, such as acute care and emergency care, and will work with local health authorities to support community need.