

Conversation with Brigadier General Jennifer A. Marrast Host

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Brigadier General (BG) JENNIFER A. MARRAST HOST, assigned to the 807 Medical Command Deployment Support (MCDS) Salt Lake City, Utah, serves in the position of deputy commanding general-professional services, principal advisor to the command on all medical matters. She is the senior advisor to two medical brigades,

consisting of 55 units located in nine states and nearly 4,000 soldiers, providing general medicine, surgical, hospitalization, dental, ground evacuation, behavioral health, preventive medicine, medical logistics, and veterinary support to mobilized units and civilian populations within the United States and abroad. She is also the senior trainer for Global Medical Exercise 2023.

BG Marrast Host most recently served as the chief of staff of the 3rd Medical Command Deployment Support (MCDS), a two-star division organization comprised of over 100 directors and staff and over 7,000 soldiers.

BG Marrast Host was born in Grenada and raised in New York. She completed her undergraduate studies at the City University of New York-Hunter College with a BA in biology and a minor in chemistry. In May 1997, she completed medical school at Rutgers University School of Medicine with her MD Degree. She is a board-certified emergency medicine physician, completing her emergency medicine residency as the chief in May 2000 at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Medical Center, New York. She currently works as an emergency medicine physician at Kaiser Permanente, Georgia.

In July 1997, BG Marrast Host was commissioned as a captain in the U.S. Army. Her military education includes Senior Service School-Army War College with Joint Professional Military Education (JPME I, II), Military Strategic Leadership Program (MSLP), Joint Operations Medical Management Course, Medical

Management of Chemical and Biological Casualty Care, Command and General Staff College (ILE), Advanced Officer Course, and Officer Basic Course.

Some of her past assignments include Commander of the 3rd MCDS OCP FWD Kuwait; Commander of the 5 MED BDE-Birmingham, AL; Commander of the 75 CSH (FWD) U.S. Military Hospital (USMH-K)-Kuwait; Commander of the 1207 BN USAH-FT.-Benning, GA; Command Surgeon-3d MCDS, Chief of Medical Professional Services-3D MCDS (FWD)-Kuwait; Chief Medical Officer Hawaii IRT Mission; Emergency Medicine Physician-5501 USAH-Ft. Gordon, GA; BN Surgeon 1/34-133rd Infantry BCT-Iraq; Chief of Medical Operations-Task Force Victory-Bagram, Afghanistan; and Physician-452nd CSH-Bagram, Afghanistan.

Her past awards include Legion of Merit (LOM) w/ 1 Bronze OLC; Meritorious Service Medal (MSM) w/ 4 Bronze OLC; The Army Commendation Medal (ARCOM) w/ 2 Bronze OLC; The Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (ARCAM) w/ 1 Silver OLC and 2 Bronze OLC; The Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal (MOVSM); The Overseas Service Ribbon w/ Numeral 2, National Defense Service Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal w/ 2 campaign stars; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Iraq Campaign Medal w/ Campaign Star and Armed Forces Reserve Medal w/ M Device; The Army Service Ribbon; The Army Achievement Medal w/1 OLC and The Army Reserve Component Over Seas Training Ribbon w/ Numeral 2.

BG Marrast Host is married to Christopher Host for 30 years. They have one son, Justin, who is 13 years old.

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