

Air Force Medical Service Commodity Council

The Air Force Medical Service Commodity Council is located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. The mission of the AFMS Commodity Council is to support the AFMS and the Warfighter in enterprise-wide medical acquisition programs.

The Enterprise Sourcing Group and the Air Force Surgeon General's office both provide resources to support the AFMS Commodity Council. Contracting support is provided by the 773rd Enterprise Sourcing Squadron Medical Services Commodity Council Support Flight, part of the ESG. Program management support is provided by the Air Force Medical Support Agency, part of AF/SG.

History

The AFMS Commodity Council was established in 2005 as a combined effort with the Air Force Chief of Staff, Secretary of the Air Force and Air Force Materiel Command.

Program management resources were initially provided by the AFMC Surgeon General using staff from the previous TRICARE Region 5 lead agent office. Program management responsibilities were transferred to the Air Force Medical Support Agency October 2006.

Initially, SAF selected the Air Force District of Washington to provide contracting support to the AFMS Commodity Council. With the standup of the ESG, contracting responsibility and resources were transferred to AFMC in November 2010.

Goals

The goals of AFMS Commodity Council are to:

- Improve customer support
- Reduce purchase cost of services
- Reduce variation in service contracts by increasing standardization
- Accelerate delivery responsiveness
- Provide lifecycle management support

Objectives

The objectives of AFMS Commodity Council are to:

- Optimize AFMS buying power
- Improve service, lower prices and reduce contracting risk
- Incorporate all legal and contract policy requirements into one place
- More easily implement changes
- Manage and report operational factors including money and manpower
- Reduce contracting time and effort

Industry Impact

The AFMS Commodity Council currently manages several strategic sourcing programs including:

- Clinical Support Services - direct patient care for military members and beneficiaries at Air Force military treatment facilities (MTFs)
- Medical Administrative Support Services - administrative services in MTFs such as clinical coding and appointment services
- Advisory and Assistance Services - subject matter experts and consultant for the AFMS
- Temporary Medical Services – rapid, short term clinical services for deployments and backfills
- Overseas Medical Services – all categories of services for facilities overseas

Commodity Council contracts are currently the “preferred” method for obtaining services in the Air Force due to their flexibility, cost and management oversight.

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