



MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT (PSYCHIATRIST/CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST/PSYCHIATRIC NURSE) LEVEL 2 AND 2 PLUS HOSPITALS

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SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

- A. One-Uniformed mental health professional (clinical psychologist/psychiatrist/psychiatrist nurse¹) is mobile on-demand at 16 Level 2 and 2 plus hospitals. This Uniformed mental health professional is tasked to report on the overall psychological health of the deployed troops in accordance with the Medical Support Manual. This professional person will regularly report to the Force Commander through the proper chain of command and maintain and improve the overall mental health of uniformed personnel.²
- B. The deployment of Uniformed mental health personnel should be optional and negotiated in the MOU with the member state³.
- C. Amend the COE Manual, Chapter 3, Annex C, Appendix 5, page 87 to add additional staffing requirements and add the relevant notes in Chapter 3, Annex C, Appendix 5, page 88 ¹⁻⁴.

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PROPOSED TEXT FOR 2023 COE MANUAL

Amend COE Manual, Chapter 3, Annex C, Appendix 5 to add additional staffing requirements and add the relevant notes to the Appendix 5, page 88 ¹⁻⁴.

The United Nations levels of medical support: Level 2 (basic field hospital) requirements and standards.

Treatment capability	Treatment capacity	Staffing requirement	Equipment requirement	Infrastructure requirement	Reimbursement rate (per capita per month)	Remarks
1. Triage, resuscitation and stabilization	3 to 4 surgical operations per day	2x general surgeons	Standard operating theatre fixtures and equipment ²	1. Hospital:	Epidemiological low-risk areas	The level 2 facility must be able to configure at least 2 forward medical teams capable of resuscitating and treating casualties onsite
2. Life- and limb-saving surgical interventions, e.g.: Laparotomy Thoracocentesis Appendectomy Wound exploration Fracture debridement	Hospitalization of 10 to 20 sick or wounded at any one time	1x anaesthetist 1x anaesthetist (or equivalent) 1x internist 1x general physician 1x commanding officer 1x senior medical officer	Standard intensive care unit equipment ²	(a) Reception/administration (b) 2x outpatient consultation rooms (c) 1x pharmacy (d) 1x radiography room (e) 1x laboratory (f) 1x dental treatment room (g) 1x dental X-ray room	Level 2 \$21.53 ³	
3. Anaesthesia (general and regional)	Up to 7 days of hospitalization for each patient	1x Mental health professional (clinical psychologist / psychiatrist / psychiatrist nurse) Optional ¹⁻⁴	Essential laboratory and radiography equipment ²	(h) 1x emergency/resuscitation/anaesthesia/recovery room (i) 1x operating theatre (j) 1x sterilization room (k) 1x or 2x 10-bed wards (l) 1- to 2-bed intensive care unit		Each of these teams comprises 1 doctor and 2 nurses/medics
4. Advanced life support and intensive care	Up to 40 outpatient consultations per day	1x dentist 1x dental assistant 1x dental technician 1x hygiene officer (or equivalent public health officer)		(m) 1x emergency/resuscitation/anaesthesia/recovery room		
5. Treatment and observation of common medical conditions and infectious disease	5 to 10 dental consultations per day	1x pharmacist 1x pharmacist technician 1x head nurse		(n) 1x operating theatre		There must be provision made for sufficient and suitable portable equipment and packs in order to perform this role
6. Essential pharmaceutical support	10 X-rays and 20 laboratory tests per day	2x critical/intensive care nurses		(o) 1x sterilization room		
7. Basic dental service: Pain relief Simple extractions Simple fillings Infection control	Medical supplies for 60 days	12x nurses/ paramedics		(p) 1- to 2-bed intensive care unit		
8. Basic laboratory facility		1x preoperative nurse 1x charge nurse 1x X-ray technician		2. Support services (a) Kitchen (b) Laundry (c) Supply storage facility (d) Maintenance room (e) Communication (f) Transportation (ambulance/air evacuation) (g) Generator room		
Blood group and cross matching Leucocyte count Erythrocyte sedimentation rate, etc. Gram staining Blood film						

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	(or equivalent)	
1x	radiographer	(f) Transportation (ambulance/air evacuation)
1x	laboratory technician	(g) Generator room
2x	lab technologists	(h) Fuel storage
2x	ambulance drivers	(i) Staff room
1x	medical storeroom	(j) Water sanitation/ water disposal
1x	medical records officer	3. Accommodation
1x	company sergeant major	(a) Tentage
1x	company quartermaster sergeant major	(b) Containers
1x	hygiene officer 1x	Standard United Nations field mission accommodation
	hygiene assistant	
1x	administrative officer	
1x	administrative clerk	
2x	cooks	
1x	plant mechanic 1x	
	electrician	
1x	electro-medical technician	
1x	radio technician 1x	
	radio operator 1x	
	refrigerator and air conditioning mechanic	
1x	driver mechanic 1x	
	vehicle mechanic	
1x	sanitary duty staff	
Total 58 Staff		

Notes:

¹ Not more than two Uniformed mental health professional per Mission

² Reference: Chapter 8 Minimum professional qualification requirements and technical clearance procedures for deployment of medical personnel in field missions Para C Page 82 & Para G page 83 and Chapter 9 Mental health and psychological support resources in the United Nations system. Para 3, Page 105 of Medical Support Manual for United Nations Field Missions. United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations And Department of Field Support (DPKO/DFS) 3rd Edition 2015

³ The deployment of One Uniformed clinical psychologist/psychiatrist/psychiatrist nurse will be subject to the Medical Support Plan of the Mission.

⁴ This will be effective from 01 July 2024.

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