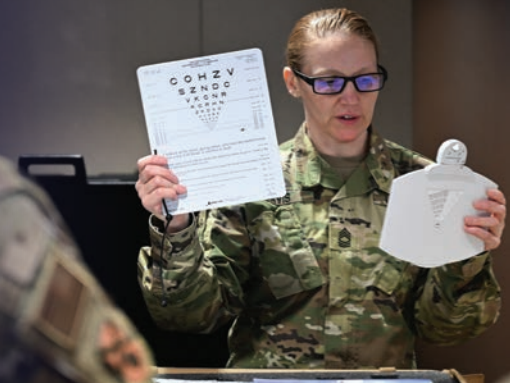




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## Consolidated Asset Management Site Enhances Readiness Through Workshops

The Consolidated Asset Management Site (CAMS) recently hosted two workshop sessions at Youngstown Air Reserve Base, Ohio. The first workshop took place from February 11 to 12, and the second from February 25 to 26. A total of thirty-seven joint Service members scheduled to participate in an Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) support activity this year attended one of the two-day sessions offered. The attendees included personnel such as training officers-in-charge, dental technicians, biomedical equipment technicians, logisticians, and medical providers.



*Staff Sgt. Joy Anne Mateo, Consolidated Asset Management Site (CAMS), speaks to participants of the CAMS workshop February 11, 2025, at Youngstown Air Reserve Base, Ohio. (U.S. Air Force photo by Eric White)*

CAMS plays a crucial role in supporting IRT by managing and providing established medical equipment kits, civil engineering equipment packages, and general base support items, such as kitchen trailers and mobile gyms. These predictable, repeatable, and reliable equipment kits and packages enable effective training and mission execution. CAMS personnel actively assist with and participate in IRT mission planning to ensure equipment availability and to train mission participants on the proper use and accountability of assets. Additionally, CAMS personnel coordinate and execute the delivery of assets to locations across the continental United States and assist IRT program managers and mission planners with military airlift deliveries for missions in Alaska, Hawaii, and geographically separated U.S. territories.

Reflecting on the workshop's impact, Master Sgt. Courtnie Clark, Asset Manager for CAMS, said, "The workshop provided attendees the opportunity to get hands-on experience and familiarize themselves with the equipment used for IRT missions I believe this was a valuable opportunity for many, especially those who had never participated in an IRT training activity before. They were able to gain insight into the inventory process, equipment familiarization, and logistical management, which will help ensure they are mission-ready when they receive medical kits downrange."

Clark expressed her hope that the workshop would directly enhance operational effectiveness and better prepare medical personnel for treating patients at the training site.

This year, CAMS introduced instructional videos for each type of medical box, making the repacking process after training completion seamless. This improvement ensures that CAMS can streamline the inventory process upon the kits' return to the warehouse, a critical step in preparing these assets to be repacked and quickly sent out to provide support for other activities.

"Hosting this workshop each year allows us the opportunity to refine our practices and improve our asset management while also setting the stage for future training and enhancements that will ensure even greater mission success," Clark said. "It also enables team members to see how CAMS supports the IRT mission through efficient maintenance, storage, and deployment of assets. I am proud of my team and our operation here."

IRT's civil-military partnerships continue to strengthen relationships between military members and American communities, enhance unit and deployment readiness for Service members, and provide essential services to local communities. To learn more, visit [irt.defense.gov](http://irt.defense.gov).

### UNITY OF PURPOSE

IRT strengthens Joint coordination and hands-on military training that ensures real-world readiness and mission success in complex contingency environments.

### ACCOUNTABILITY & INNOVATION

IRT increases fiscal discipline; ensuring best use of DoD resources for cutting-edge military training and threat resilience for American communities.

### READINESS & LEADERSHIP

IRT develops strong military leaders who are prepared to meet the challenges of deployment, mission success, and deterrence abroad.

### IRT TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

Asset Management  
Operational Efficiency  
Logistics

### IRT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Colonel James Hogan, Director  
Colonel Stephen Rubright, Deputy Director  
Major Melford Simpson, Operations Officer  
Master Sergeant Rachelle Morris, Public Affairs Manager

### MESSAGE FROM IRT ASSET MANAGEMENT

**MSgt Courtnie Clark**  
IRT CAMS Program Manager



"The medical workshop offers a unique lens into CAMS and the vital role we play in supporting the missions with essential assets. I'm incredibly proud of our team's dedication.

Being a part of the IRT Program has truly been the highlight of my military career and such a rewarding experience."



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## IRT STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### MAJOR NATE HORWITZ-WILLIS

AIR NATIONAL GUARD | AIR FORCE ACTIVE DUTY  
PROGRAM MANAGER



“In my five years participating with IRT, I’ve seen how it delivers invaluable joint-service leadership lessons while developing junior enlisted and junior officers into confident effective warriors. This program develops lethal, ready forces and transforms American communities through our specialized skills. I’ve witnessed the positive impact of our healthcare, construction, cybersecurity, and transportation missions. When communities receive no-cost medical care or infrastructure improvements from us, their gratitude is immeasurable. No matter your branch or specialty, IRT offers challenging opportunities to serve that hone critical military skills. Let’s continue making America stronger and greater—both in defense readiness and community resilience.”

## IRT STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT KENNETH BENNETT

AIR NATIONAL GUARD  
DEPUTY PROGRAM MANAGER



“Being part of the IRT program is the pinnacle of my career. I have participated in two IRT projects with my unit prior to coming to the staff. It is very exciting to watch a young member with little confidence at the beginning of the project walk away with pride and trust in their abilities by the end of their rotation, this is what gives me a sense of purpose.”

## IRT EVENTS & SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

- Apr 1: Operation Healthy Broome, Mid-Planning Meeting
- Apr 1: Operation Build Camp Crockett, Final Planning Meeting
- Apr 1: Nimiipuu Wellness, Final Planning Meeting
- Apr 1: Salud en Tu Pueblo, Final Planning Meeting
- Apr 1: Operation Build Eyak, Mission Start
- Apr 4: Operation Build Michigan, Mission DV Day
- Apr 5: Operation Healthy Alaska, Mission Start
- Apr 5: The RES Footbridge, Mission DV Day
- Apr 7: Operation Healthy MOWA Choctaw, Final Planning Meeting
- Apr 7: Operation Build California, Final Planning Meeting
- Apr 7: Cyber Virginia, Mid-Planning Meeting
- Apr 16: Operation Build Puerto Rico, Mid-Planning Meeting
- Apr 16: Cyber Nebraska 2025, Final Planning Meeting
- Apr 17: Operation Healthy Alaska, Mission DV Day
- Apr 19: Operation Healthy Alaska, Mission End
- Apr 25: Operation Outreach Nueces, Mid-Planning Meeting
- Apr 26: Operation Healthy Delta, Mission Start
- Apr 28: Operation Healthy Virgin Islands, Final Planning Meeting
- Apr 28: Operation Build Akuligaq, Initial Planning Meeting
- Apr 28: Operation Footprint, Mission Start

More information  
on missions at:



## FY25 IRT PROGRAM MANAGERS

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Army National Guard

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Marine Corps Reserve | Marine Corps Active Duty

Lieutenant Commander Shaun Shillady  
Navy Reserve | Navy Active Duty

Major Nathaniel Horwitz-Willis  
Air National Guard | Air Force Active Duty

Major Michael Nordin  
Air Force Reserve