

Captain Elizabeth M. Adriano

Commander, Navy Medicine Readiness and Training Command

Director, Naval Medical Center San Diego

Medical Corps, U. S. Navy



Captain Elizabeth Adriano began her military career in the United States Air Force as a medical student at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences. Upon graduation from medical school in 1996, she transitioned to the United States Navy.

She successfully completed her internship at Naval Medical Center San Diego, and then served one year as a General Medical Officer, first at Naval Hospital Great Lakes and then at the Staff Sick Call clinic at Naval Medical Center San Diego.

She completed her residency training in Obstetrics & Gynecology in 2001 and her first duty station as an attending provider was Naval Hospital Beaufort where she served three years as the Department Head.

She was transferred to U.S. Naval Hospital Guam where she was selected to the position of Department Head and was then elected President of the Medical Staff/Chair, Executive Committee of the Medical Staff. She served in this position for two years of her three-year tour.

She transferred to Naval Medical Center Portsmouth in 2007 and began her tour as Division Head for General Obstetrics & Gynecology. In 2008, she was promoted to Vice Chair of the Women's Health Department and advanced to Chair in 2009. In 2012, she received orders to U.S. NH Sigonella, Italy, and was selected to serve as Director for Surgical Services.

After a successful two-year tour in Sicily, she was assigned to Naval Hospital Jacksonville and was asked to serve as the first Champion, High Reliability Working Group in November 2014 and in February 2015 was competitively selected to serve as Director for Surgical Services.

In 2017, Captain Adriano was assigned to Naval Hospital Pensacola as Executive Officer, providing care for 150,000 beneficiaries at the hospital and 11 Naval Branch Health Clinics across five states. In 2019, she became the inaugural Force Surgeon, Naval Information Forces, providing medical guidance and developing healthcare policy for 54,000 staff worldwide.

In June 2021, Captain Adriano was assigned as Commanding Officer of Navy Medicine Readiness and Training Command Cherry Point, where she led a keystone component in the medical readiness of Marine and Navy units assigned to the base while ensuring beneficiaries and service member families received the highest quality healthcare possible.

Captain Adriano assumed command of Navy Medicine Readiness and Training Command San Diego on 5 June 2023.

Her personal awards include two Legions of Merit, four Meritorious Service Medals and a Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal.