



Biography

DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY

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Lt. Col. Angela M. Schmillen **Director of Public Health and Safety**

Army Lt. Col. Angela M. Schmillen is the Defense Commissary Agency's director of Public Health and Safety. She supports the DeCA Director, his staff, and the entire DeCA network of stores and distribution facilities by developing policy and providing advice on issues pertaining to personnel safety, food safety and food defense. Her appointment was effective July 1.

At DeCA, Lt. Col. Schmillen leads and manages the agency's health and safety personnel in Asia, Europe and the United States, providing review and oversight of health and safety site visits to include disposition of issues identified. She and her headquarters staff provide the DeCA interface with other military and federal public health, food safety, and personnel safety elements.

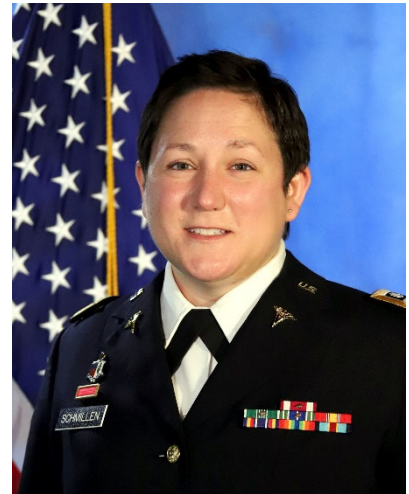
Before coming to DeCA, Lt. Col. Schmillen served as the deputy director for Force Health Protection, Army Capability Manager – Army Health System at the Medical Center of Excellence at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. There she worked to identify issues and facilitate solution implementation within the DoD model Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership and education, Personnel, Facilities and Policy (DOTMLPF-P) domains as they impact operational force health protection capabilities.

Lt. Col. Schmillen has been a veterinarian for 16 years, graduating veterinary school in 2005 from the University of Florida. She subsequently entered active duty as a Captain in the Army Veterinary Corps.

Her previous assignments included stops at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho; Mannheim, Germany; and Fort Hood, Texas, where she served as a veterinary preventive medicine instructor for the First Year Graduate Veterinary Education. There she taught and mentored three cohorts of newly commissioned Army Veterinary Corps officers in food safety, public health and their leadership responsibilities as an Army veterinarian.

Lt. Col. Schmillen was later assigned to the US Army Pacific (USARPAC) Surgeon's Office at Fort Shafter, Hawaii, as the command veterinarian. There she provided guidance to USARPAC leadership on the usage of veterinary assets in the Pacific theater, along with working operational food safety and force health protection with all service components.

At USARPAC, Lt. Col. Schmillen also supported global health engagements through the command's Theater Security Cooperation program to develop five-year health strategies for Indo-Pacific and partner nations.



EDUCATION

2018, Capabilities Development Course at Fort Sam Houston, Texas

2016, Army Security Cooperation Planners' Course at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania

2016, Food and Water Risk Assessment Course at Honolulu, Hawaii

2015, Command and General Staff Officers' Course at Fort Dix, New Jersey

2012, obtained specialized board certification and became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Preventive Medicine

2012, Masters of Public Health with a specialization in Veterinary Public Health from Long Term Health Education and Training (LTHET), Ohio State University at Columbus

2009, Rear Detachment Commander's Course at Vilseck, Germany

2008, Combat Lifesaver Course at Vilseck, Germany

2007, AMEDD Officer Advanced Course at Fort Sam Houston, Texas

2006, US Department of Agriculture's Foreign Animal Disease Diagnosticians' Course at Plum Island, New York

2006, Veterinary Clinical Proficiency Course at Fort Sam Houston, Texas

2005, AMEDD Veterinary Corps Officer Orientation Course at Fort Sam Houston, Texas

2005, Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine, University of Florida at Gainesville

2004, Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Officer Basic Course
2000, Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology, University of Florida at Gainesville

CAREER CHRONOLOGY

2018 - 2021, deputy director for Force Health Protection and Veterinary Capability Manager in the Army Capability Manager – Army Health System at the Medical Center of Excellence, Fort Sam Houston, Texas
2015 - 2018, Command Veterinarian, U.S Army Pacific (USARPAC) Surgeon's Office as the, providing guidance on usage of veterinary assets in the Pacific theater, as well as working with all service components to ensure operational food safety and force health protection, Fort Shafter, Hawaii
2012 - 2015, Veterinary Preventive Medicine instructor for the First Year Graduate Veterinary Education Program, Fort Hood, Texas.
2010 - 2012, attended Long Term Health Education and Training (LTHET), obtaining a Master of Public Health (MPH) with a specialization in Veterinary Public Health from the Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio
2007 - 2010, Squad OIC, 64th Medical Detachment Veterinary Services, Mannheim, Germany, (served as Rear Detachment Commander while unit deployed to Iraq)
2005 - 2007, Section Chief, Pacific Northwest District Veterinary Command, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho,
2005, Commissioned as a Captain

AWARDS

Meritorious Service Medal (bronze OLC)
Army Commendation Medal (bronze OLC)
Army Achievement Medal (bronze OLC)
Meritorious Unit Citation

(Current as of June 2023)