



United States Navy Biography

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER RICHARD J. BLY MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS, UNITED STATES NAVY CHIEF OF PLANS

Office of the Joint Staff Surgeon

Lieutenant Commander Richard J. Bly serves as a healthcare administrator and a Plans, Operations, and Medical Intelligence officer in the Medical Service Corps. He is a native of Saint Louis, Missouri and commissioned via the Naval Reserve Officer's Training Corps at The George Washington University.

He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Science Clinical Management and Leadership from The George Washington University; Masters Degrees in Healthcare Administration and Business Administration from Baylor University; a Master of Arts with distinction in Defense and Strategic Studies from the United States Naval War College; and is a graduate of the Marine Corps University Expeditionary Warfare School.

His shore duty assignments include Program Management Officer, Management Information Department, Naval Hospital Pensacola, Florida; Administrative Resident, Cleveland Clinic; and Fiscal Officer, Directorate for Resource Management and Business Manager, Directorate for Branch Clinics, Naval Hospital Yokosuka, Japan.

His operational assignments include Medical Logistics Officer, Task Force Medical-South and NATO Role III Hospital, Kandahar, Afghanistan; Executive Officer, Bravo Surgical Company, 1st Medical Battalion; Company Commander, Charlie Surgical Company, 1st Medical Battalion; Officer in Charge of Health Service Support, 1st Marine Logistics Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force; and Deputy Fleet Surgeon and Medical Planner, United States Seventh Fleet.

He is currently assigned to the Office of the Joint Staff Surgeon, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Lieutenant Commander Bly's decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three awards), Army Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, and numerous service medals. He has earned the Surface Warfare Medical Department Officer and Fleet Marine Force Warfare Officer Qualifications. He is board-certified in healthcare administration and a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives. He was recently elected to serve as the Navy's representative to ACHE's legislative body, the Council of Regents.

He and his wife, Megumi, are the proud parents of Luca (6) and Hana (1).

