



# MEDICAL BIOMEDICAL BIODEFENSE *Symposium*



**SUPPORT TO AMERICA'S WARFIGHTERS AND VETERANS**

SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2026

CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

*Symposium Venue: University of North Carolina, The Friday Center, 100 Friday Center Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27517*

**Venue Legend:** Grumman Auditorium Dogwood AB Redbud AB Trillium AB Atrium Magnolia Lounge

## WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Registration and Check-In**

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Welcome Social:** University of North Carolina, The Friday Center, 100 Friday Center Drive, Chapel Hill, NC

## THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2026

7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

**Registration, Check-In and Light Refreshments**

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

**Welcome and Orientation:** Scott Dorney, Executive Director, North Carolina Military Business Center

8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**Warfighter Strong: Medical & Human Performance Needs of the Fighting Force**  
*Speakers: 44<sup>th</sup> Medical Brigade; US Navy Reserves; US Army Reserve Command; and more to come*

**Colonel Christina M. Buchner, Commander and Command Sergeant Major Scott Dinse,**  
44th Medical Brigade, Fort Bragg

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

**From Requirement to Reality: Industry on the Front Lines**  
*Speakers: Sean Siler, CEO, VIGILINT; Jason Cook, MD, Co-Founder & CMO, Olfax Medical; Galen Robertson, CEO, VQ Biomedical; and more to come*

10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**Break**

**Sponsor Expo and Networking**

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

*Business Opportunities with the Department of War, Defense Health Agency & Defense Logistics Agency*

*Medical Innovation Opportunities with Consortia and Federal Agencies*

*Department of Veterans Affairs One-On-One Meetings*

12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

**Lunch and Keynote Remarks**

Dr. Mike McGinnis, Navy Medicine Executive Director, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

**Senior Executive Leadership in Medical Acquisition**

Brigadier General Sean P. Kelly, Commander, Defense Logistics Agency, Troop Support (invited)

Ronald Miller, D.M., Chief Officer of Support Operations, Veterans Health Administration, US Department of Veterans Affairs

Brett Scheideman, Acting Deputy Assistant Director for Acquisition and Sustainment / Acting Deputy Component Acquisition Executive, Defense Health Agency, Defense Health Agency (invited)

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Break**

2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

*Business Opportunities in Operational & Medical Logistics with Military Service Medical Commands*

*AI Enabled Healthcare: "Doc in a Box"*

*Department of Veterans Affairs One-On-One Meetings*

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Break**

**Sponsor Expo and Networking**

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

*Business Opportunities with the Department of Veterans Affairs*

*Innovation Opportunities in Chemical, Biological, Radiological & Nuclear Defense*

5:00 p.m.

**Adjourn**