

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TASK FORCE ON THE CARE, MANAGEMENT AND
TRANSITION OF RECOVERING WOUNDED, ILL AND INJURED MEMBERS OF THE
ARMED FORCES**

**COMMANDER TIMOTHY A. COAKLEY, M.D., MEDICAL CORPS
UNITED STATES NAVY**

Commander (CDR) Timothy A. Coakley, M.D., Medical Corps, USN, has been deployed several times, during the course of which he was wounded by Improvised Explosive Device (IED) blasts. He is recognized by US & foreign government agencies as a subject matter expert for these types of injuries.

Born in Aurora, IL, he enlisted in the Navy in 1982 as a Hospital Corpsman. Initially stationed in Orlando and Jacksonville, FL, in 1986 he transferred to the reserves and completed his Bachelor's degree in biology at the University of Northern Illinois in 1990. He then attended medical school at the Finch University of Health Sciences/The Chicago Medical School in 1991 after serving in Operation Desert Shield/Storm. He graduated with his commission in June 1995.

Following an internship in Family Practice, he attended undersea medical officer training in Groton, CT and then reported to Commander, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Group Two (COMEODGRU TWO). After being transferred to the Naval Medical Center Portsmouth's emergency medicine residency, he graduated as the Chief Resident and Honor Graduate in 2002. CDR Coakley stayed on as a staff physician in the ER and deployed as the Officer in Charge of Shock Trauma Platoon-1, 2nd FSSG, Camp Lejeune, NC, to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He currently serves as the Deputy Force Surgeon assigned to the Navy Expeditionary Combat Command in Norfolk, VA. CDR Coakley is a Diving Medical Officer and is the recipient of numerous military awards.