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ARMY OFFICERS RECEIVE DOCTOR OF MEDICINE DEGREES

BETHESDA, Md. – Sixty Army second lieutenants were awarded doctor of medicine degrees at the Uniformed Services University's 22nd commencement, which was held May 19 at Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C.

During the graduation ceremony, the new doctors also were promoted to captain. They will now begin internship assignments at military medical facilities around the country. The Army graduates are:

Gilbert Aidinian, Aaron George Amacher III, Kevin Patrick Banks, Russell Lee Barfield, Kimberly Rae Barrett, Ronald Duane Beesley, Jason Dudley Bothwell, Karl W. Brewer, Sara Kate Buckelew, Matthew Patrick Burke, Paul Ciminera, Phillip Benjamin Cuenca, Joseph Gerald Dougherty, Gary L. Eberly, David Joseph Eigner, Matthew Nealy Fandre, Matthew V. Fargo, Bradley C. Gardiner, Dale Wayne George, Duncan Alexander Gillies II, Matthew Edwin Griffith, David Paul Harper, Jason Stuart Hawley, Joshua Paul Herzog, Matthew Stanton Hing, Aaron B. Holley, Chad Kenneth Holmes, Paula Jackson, Elizabeth Newton Javernick and Matthew A. Javernick.

Also, Jefferson W. Jex, Timothy W. Judge, Daniel Eijune Kim, Herbert P. Kwon, Louis James Land, Llewellyn VanOrden Lee, Gregory T. McCain, Steve B. Min, Angelita Michelle Moore, Michelle Lee Moyer, Brett Allan Nelson, Chuck Thai-Chuong Nguyen, Jeremy Charles Pamplin, Dina Suryakant Parekh, Paresh Ram Patel, William Daniel Porter, Nicole C. Powell-Dunford, Patrick Aaron Raney, Peaches Ann Richards, Mark Allan Robinson, Eugene Kim Soh, Jang Won Song, Jeffrey N. Schmidt, Abraham W. Suhr, Brent Allan Tinnel, Dawn McDowell Torres, Paul Shane Uribe, Amber Louise Vegh, Melvin Eugene Wagner.

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Established by Congress in 1972, the Uniformed Services University has the nation's only fully accredited federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. It has provided the country with more than 3,000 outstanding military and public health physicians, scientists and health care practitioners. USU specializes in military medicine, which differs greatly from civilian medicine, and involves prevention, diagnosis and treatment by medical personnel who are integral to the military operations they support. Military medicine requires a solid background in tropical medicine and hygiene, parasitology and a full understanding of epidemiological methods and preventive medicine.