



The Royal Army Medical Service

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As the heat of summer gives way to the crispness of autumn, we find ourselves reflecting on a significant quarter for the Royal Army Medical Service (RAMS) and the achievements that have taken place during this time. SWAY5 offers a moment to pause, celebrate, and appreciate the dedication and hard work of our people, who have continuously demonstrated resilience and excellence in our many tasks.

This SWAY captures a selection of incredible events and activities that, although not exhaustive, aims to demonstrate the extraordinary experiences. Through the visuals provided, we hope to illustrate not only the milestones reached, but also the spirit and determination that drive our personnel.

In addition to celebrating, we provide updates on progress as we move towards achieving RAMS Full Operating Capability, which is scheduled for March 27. Should you seek more details please do not hesitate to reach out to any member of Regtl HQ team. For more regular updates, you can follow us through Defence Connect and our social media platforms, where we strive to keep our community informed and connected. Please do reach out if you want to join us on improving our communication journey. Wishing you a healthy, happy and progressive autumn.

Behaviours and Values of the RAMS

Inclusion:

The RAMS is a diverse organisation, and all personnel are encouraged to commit to developing a workplace environment where people's differences are celebrated. We must ensure that our people feel valued, respected and accepted.

Behaviours:

We must ensure that courtesy and politeness are the minimum standard expected, treat each other with kindness and with dignity. All personnel must feel safe to challenge others and express themselves. Personnel should be valued by their strengths, be listened to and their experience sought after and acknowledged.

News from the Corps

Senior Officer Appointments



Maj Gen Phil Carter KHP OStJ was appointed as the Surgeon General (SG) in August 2025.



Brigadier Antony Finn has been appointed as the next Director Medical Personnel and Training in the rank of Major General, from November 2025.



Brigadier Chris Wright promoted into the role of AH Medical Operations Capability in August 2025.



Col Vicki Moorhouse has been appointed as the next ACOS Med Field Army in the rank of Brigadier from November 2025.

Around the Corps

Founders Day at Royal Hospital Chelsea



Head RAMS and Corps Col RAMS had the privilege of attending Founders Day at Royal Hospital Chelsea on Thu 05 Jun. The Pensioners and guests were in fine form and despite the very worst of the British weather; the day was filled with ceremony, laughter and a good deal of pride.

Corps Day 2025 RHQ RAMS and JHG(SE)



3 Medical Regiment's Corps Day 2025



The Firmin Sword of Peace presented to 16 Medical Regiment by HRH The Duke of Gloucester, Colonel in Chief of the RAMS 27 Jun 25



HCA and CMT Graduation Day 3 Jul 25



Defence Nursing Graduation July 2025



202 MMR's deployment to Kenya Jul 25



Harris Cup Winners 2025 - 16 Medical Regiment



Phase 1 Pass Off Parade: ATC Pirbright 29 Aug 25



Turning of the Pages at Westminster Abbey - 215 MMR



JHG(S) Freedom of Portsmouth Parade



RAMS Events Programme 2025

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Oct	9-10: RAMS MO Study Period Prize Giving	10: RAMS Dinner Night (Blue Book)	16: RAMS Nursing Sponsored Drink Reception (Blue Book)		Turning of the Pages: 256 MMR
Nov	5: Duchess of Edinburgh Competition	Field of Remembrance / RAH / Cenotaph	9: Service of Remembrance (Blue Book)		
Dec	1: RAMS Briefing Day (SLT/Hon Cols/Affiliations)	1: RAMS Supper	2: RAMS Award Giving		Turning of the Pages: 254 MMR

RAMS Provisional Events Programme 2026

Proposed RAMS Events 2026					
Month					
Jan					
Feb					
Mar	RAMS Nursing Study Period Prize Giving 19-20 Mar	RAMS Dinner Night (Blue Book) 20 Mar			
Apr					Turning of the Pages
May	RAMS Dental Study Period Prize Giving TBC	RAMS Dinner Night (Blue Book) TBC	Florence Nightingale Service WA		Turning of the Pages
Jun	RAMS MO Study Period Prize Giving Likely 3-5	RAMS Dinner Night (Blue Book) Likely 4	Founders Day RHC	RAMS Sports Awards TBC	Corps Day 24 Jun 26
Jul					Turning of the Pages
Aug					
Sep	HCM Study Period Prize Giving 23-24 Sep	AHP Study Period Prize Giving 24-25 Sep	RAMS Dinner Night 24 Sep (Blue Book)		
Oct	RAMS Drink Reception (Blue Book)				Turning of the Pages
Nov	Land Medical Function Conference TBC	RAMS Dinner Night (Blue Book) TBC	Field of Remembrance / RAH / Cenotaph	Service of Remembrance (Blue Book)	
Dec	RAMS Briefing Day (SLT/Hon Cols/Affiliations) Proposal 7 Dec	RAMS Award Giving TBC Proposal 8 Dec	RAMS Dinner Night TBC (Blue Book)		Turning of the Pages

RHQ Defence Connect Page

The Defence Connect page for the RAMS has been completely revamped and will now become the central point of contact for all communication promulgated by the RHQ:

[Group: RHQ Royal Army Medical Service | Defence Connect](#)

The above link will only work for Serving Personnel, it is hoped in the future that we can extend this to our Veteran community.

The RAMS Online Shop

The only officially accredited site for the purchase of anything RAMS can be found at this link: [RAMS Shop](#)

The RHQ has been made aware that there are multiple sites out there selling unauthorised items at over inflated prices.

The items on the RAMS Shop are being sold with very little mark-up, and a percentage cost of certain items sold is being donated back to the RAMS Charity.

All personnel are strongly encouraged to use the official shop.

Update of the formation of the RAMS Charity

Governing Document:

- With CC: approval expected imminently.

Current provision:

- Previous agreement of 3 Antecedent Corps to maintain support in principle (Serving & Veterans).
- Continued support to RAMS personnel including those who are not of an Antecedent Corps.

RAMS Dress Update

- 80% Fielded
- All Ph1 Recruits are being issued accoutrements from this Headquarters.
- All major Regular, JHG and Reserve units, HQs Formations, and the DPHC Dental and East Region have been fielded.

Next Phase

- MTSU, DPHC Med Centres, RAPs and those that are in E2 postings.
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