## CSM JORGE L. OQUENDO Command Sergeant Major 29<sup>th</sup> Hospital Center



Command Sergeant Major Jorge L. Oquendo is a native of Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico and entered the U.S. Army from Cataño, Puerto Rico. He attended Basic Combat Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and graduated from Advanced Individual Training as a Behavioral Health Specialist at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

His assignments include: Command Sergeant Major, 47<sup>th</sup> Combat Support Hospital and 29<sup>th</sup> Hospital Center, Joint Base Lewis-McChord WA; Chief Clinical SGM, Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Fort Gordon GA; Medical Operations NCO at US Army Africa, Caserma Ederle, Vicenza, Italy; First Sergeant, Senior Healthcare NCO for the Deputy Commander for Clinical Services and Education Division NCOIC at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Germany; Detachment Sergeant, 212<sup>th</sup> Medical Detachment (Combat

Stress Control), Fort Campbell, Kentucky; Tallil, Iraq (Operation New Dawn); Mosul, Iraq (Operation Iraqi Freedom); Drill Sergeant and AIT Platoon Sergeant, Echo Co. 232<sup>nd</sup> Medical Battalion, Fort Sam Houston, Texas; NCOIC, Department of Psychiatry, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, DC; Prevention Team Sergeant, 85<sup>th</sup> Medical Detachment (CSC), Fort Hood, TX; Team Leader, Charlie Co., 702<sup>nd</sup> Main Support Battalion, Camp Casey, Korea; Mental Health Specialist, Charlie Co., 710<sup>th</sup> Main Support Battalion, Fort Drum, NY.

CSM Oquendo has completed all levels of NCOPDS and is a graduate of United States Sergeants Major Academy (Class 68). His military education includes the Brigade and Battalion Pre-Command Course, AMEDD Executive Skills Course, Joint Medical Operations Course, Basic Healthcare Administrator's Course, Master Resiliency Trainer Course, Battle Staff NCO Course, Pathfinder's Course, Air Assault School, Drill Sergeant School, Drug and Alcohol Group Counseling Course, Advanced Counseling Course, Combat Operational Stress Control Course, Traumatic Event Management Course, NBC Defense Course, Retention NCO Course, Critical Incident Stress Management (Individual, Peer and Group Intervention Course) and various other professional development courses.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (5 OLC), the Army Commendation Medal (1 SOLC), the Army Achievement Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal (8<sup>th</sup> Award), the National Defense Service Medal (Bronze Star), the Iraqi Campaign Medal (2 Campaign Stars), the Korean Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal, the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, the Non-Commissioned Officers Development Ribbon (Numeral 5), the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon (3<sup>rd</sup> Award), the Meritorious Unit Citation and the Army Superior Unit Award. He was also awarded the Pathfinders Badge, the Air Assault Badge, the Drill Sergeant Badge, the Driver and Mechanic Badge, and the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (Silver). In addition, he was inducted into Order of Military Medical Merit.

CSM Oquendo holds a Masters of Arts in Christian Ministry and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Social Sciences and Christian Counseling. He has been married to Jocelyn for 24 years and they are raising three daughters; Alondra (23), Kendra (17) and Andrea (13).