

COL Peter J. Benson

COL Peter J. Benson has been serving as a Special Operations Medicine consultant to the U.S. Army Surgeon General since 2009. Previously, COL Benson held a variety of military assignments. He served as Deputy Chief Staff Surgeon (2009) and Command and Regimental Surgeon (2007) at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as well as Chief (2001) and Staff Physician (2000) of the Emergency Medical Section, William Beaumont Army Medical Center at Fort Bliss, Texas.

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