

Navy Medicine, FBI Share Initiatives During Denver Navy Week

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DENVER (NNS) -- Navy Medicine and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Denver Division, examined shared initiatives in global partnerships, medical care, and the protection of the nation, as part of Denver Navy Week, May 4.

Rear Adm. William M. Roberts, fleet surgeon, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, met with leadership and staff and toured the facility during the visit.

"Everything is done in a joint environment," said James Yacone, special agent in charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation Denver Division. "We must work to partner with the Department of Defense, law enforcement, and community leaders to protect our country. Developing a relationship with Navy Medicine further demonstrates how we can work together to protect our homeland."

During the visit, FBI Denver Division leadership and Roberts shared ideas and agreed on the importance of creating inter-agency and community partnerships to include humanitarian assistance/ disaster relief missions and homeland security operations around the globe.

"We are proud to have the opportunity to advance the relationship between the FBI and Navy Medicine," said Roberts. "The relationship between the FBI and other agencies is crucial in developing partnerships to protect our citizens and their freedom."

During his presentation to staff, Roberts shared how Navy medical humanitarian assistance missions are a critical piece of the Navy's maritime strategy. Along with traditional roles like deployments and projecting power abroad, Roberts discussed how international military medical partnerships and teaming with non-government organizations support the Navy's mission.

Roberts also met with FBI medical staff to discuss trauma care, lifesaving techniques, procedures currently used on the battlefield in Afghanistan, and advancements in Navy Medicine research and development.

"We are proud to know that if our special agents are in need of medical care overseas, they will receive world-class care from Navy Medicine," said Amy Hanks, FBI regional occupational and environmental program manager, FBI headquarters, Washington, D.C.

The FBI Denver Division covers the states of Colorado and Wyoming and has 10 satellite offices, or "resident agencies," located throughout both states.

Denver Navy Week is one of 21 Navy weeks across the country in 2011. Navy Weeks are designed to show Americans the investment they make in their Navy and increase awareness in cities that do not have a significant Navy presence.

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