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A native of Arlington, Virginia, CDR Cooperman entered into Naval Service under the Healthcare Scholarship Collegiate Program (HSCP) in 1998 and commissioned in 2000.

CDR Cooperman currently serves as Officer in Charge, Joel T. Boone Branch Health Clinic. This assignment aligns under the Naval Medical Center Portsmouth and supports one of the largest Branch Health Clinic Primary Care beneficiary populations in Navy Medicine. CDR Cooperman reported to Boone after three prominent tours in Washington, DC. Her previous assignment was Deputy Executive Assistant to the Chief, Bureau of Medicine & Surgery (BUMED) and Navy Surgeon General. Prior to BUMED, she was assigned as Special Assistant for Health Affairs, Military Manpower & Personnel Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower & Reserve Affairs). CDR Cooperman completed a post graduate utilization tour with the Total Force Directorate, BUMED and served as M12. She was a key architect for Navy Medicine manpower programming and planning and was highly instrumental in shaping shore based and operational medical manpower platform capabilities. During her tenure in Washington, D.C. she was responsible for providing analytic review of legislation, health policies, procedures, programming, and personnel issues concerning the Military Health System and the Department of the Navy.

Upon Commissioning, CDR Cooperman's first assignment was to the Naval Medical Center, San Diego, where she was assigned as Resource Sharing Program Manager. She was directly responsible for construction of highly complex and sophisticated financial cost analyses utilized in managing millions of dollars in Federal healthcare contracts. Upon completion of her tour in San Diego, she transferred to the US Naval Hospital, Rota, Spain, to serve as the Operations Officer. During her tour in Rota, she was assigned to the first Navy-led medical and dental humanitarian mission (MEDFLAG) in Er Rachidia, Morocco, in September 2003. The joint 17-day operation provided humanitarian medical relief to seven remote areas on the outskirts of the Western Sahara. She was intimately involved with deployment and on-site operational activities and intra-agency coordination with the State Department and non-governmental organizations.

CDR Cooperman holds a Master of Science Management from the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California with a specialty in Manpower Systems Analysis, a Master of Healthcare Administration from the Medical College of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University and a Bachelor of Arts from Virginia Commonwealth University. She has also completed the Naval War College's Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) phase I program in Monterey, California, a medical administration internship with Potomac Hospital in Woodbridge, Virginia, and attended the University of Virginia's Hispanic Studies program in Valencia, Spain.

A Fellow, American College of Healthcare Executives she received the Senior Level Healthcare Excellence Regent's Award in 2015. She was also recognized by the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (DCNO) with the Admiral J. M. Boorda award for Outstanding Integration of Analysis. She is the recipient of Meritorious Service Medal (three), Navy Commendation Medal (two), and Navy and the Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two).