



United States Navy Biography

CDR Jennifer L. Kime
Assistant Officer-in-Charge

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Commander Kime, originally from Barre, Vermont, commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Navy on 10 May 2003 through the Virginia Tech Naval ROTC program with a Bachelor of Science in Biology.

Her first duty assignment was with the USS WASP (LHD-1) in Norfolk, Virginia as the Interior Communications Division Officer and later, the Fire Control Officer. While at this command, she obtained her Officer of the Deck Underway Qualification, her Surface Warfare Officer (SWO) Qualification, and SWO designation (2005). Deployments included the Navy Region Europe, Africa, Central (CNREURAFCENT) operating areas with Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF).

In September 2005, she took orders to the USS ELROD (FFG-55), also homeported in Norfolk, Virginia, as the Damage Control Assistant returning to the CNREURAFCENT in continued support of Operation Enduring Freedom and encouraging global partnerships in the west African region.

In 2007, LT Kime transferred to the Independent Ready Reserves (IRR) to pursue her passion in nursing. She received her Associate Degree in Nursing from Florida State College at Jacksonville in 2010 and her Bachelor of Nursing from University of North Florida in May 2012. Employed as an emergency/trauma resuscitation nurse, she felt the need to continue service in the active Reserve Component and redesignated from Surface Warfare Officer to an Emergency/Trauma Nurse in July 2014.

Her first assignment in the Reserves was Operational Hospital Support Unit (OHSU) Jacksonville, Florida Headquarters as the Assistant Fitness Report Coordinator and Assistant Officer in Charge of Detachment “J” in Tallahassee, Florida.

In 2019, LT Kime was mobilized as an Emergency/Trauma Nurse to Kandahar, Afghanistan as part of “Victor” Rotation. She was assigned as the Trauma Program Manager and Process Improvement Officer to the Role 3 facility utilizing her civilian trauma center experience to improve patient outcomes.

Returning home after mobilization in 2020 and assuming Emergency Room Nurse Manager role as civilian employment, newly promoted LCDR Kime, was selected as the Officer-in-Charge for Expeditionary Medical Force Jacksonville, Detachment Pensacola.

LCDR Kime was selected for Active Duty for Operational Support at Naval Medicine Operational Training Command, Detachment Naval Aerospace Medical Institute (NAMI) as Department Head and Clinical Nurse Manager of Hyperbaric Medicine providing hyperbaric operational support and emergency recompression treatments. She continues her assignment at NAMI as the Physical Exams Clinical Nurse Manager prior to selection as the Assistant Officer-in-Charge.

CDR Kime holds a Master of Science in Nursing: Nurse Executive from University of West Florida. She holds nurse board certifications in Emergency (CEN), Trauma (TCRN) and Flight (CFRN). Her personal awards are the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2 stars) and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (5 stars).

She is married to Billy Kime, Jr. and has two children, Ashlyn and Wesley.