

The New General Richard B. Myers Veterans Training Program at Dallas-based MediSend International Offers Opportunity and Job Security to Returning US Veterans



Dallas, TX. February 25, 2013 --- Dallas-based, non-profit MediSend International, is launching the new General Richard B. Myers Veterans Biomedical Equipment Technology Program™, offering biomedical equipment repair training to qualified US veterans. The fast-track training program will apply MediSend's Biomedical Equipment Technician (BMET) curriculum and core expertise to provide a future with viable job opportunities for our veterans in less than six months.

With so many young men and women returning to civilian life, there is real concern about where all of these heroes will find work. The US Bureau of Labor Statistics states that the number of job openings in the biomedical equipment repair field in the United States is expected to greatly outpace qualified applicants and that employment of biomedical equipment technicians is projected to grow 31 percent from 2010 to 2020, much faster than the average for all occupations. The General Richard B. Myers Veterans Biomedical Equipment Technology Program™ successfully addresses these two key challenges: improving viable job opportunities for our veterans, and ensuring that the U.S. healthcare system will have the skilled technicians needed to deliver safe and reliable care.

Since 2007, MediSend has trained biomedical repair technicians for hospitals and clinics in developing countries worldwide through a comprehensive curriculum approved by the US BMET Board of Examiners and the United States Certification Commission. The MediSend Biomedical Equipment Technology Program™ professionally trains biomedical equipment technicians and readies them for employment in less than six months, training that traditionally takes about two years in a college or university. Veterans will be able to enter the workforce quickly as professionals trained in MediSend's proven program.

General Richard B. Myers, retired 15th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, is a longtime supporter of MediSend and serves on the MediSend Advisory Board. "I could not be more proud that the Veterans Program at MediSend will bear my name. We all share a commitment to repay our veterans for their honorable service with the future they deserve," says General Myers. "Veterans know how to work in a team environment. They can bring a sense of leadership and dignity to any organization. MediSend's elite training program will create viable job opportunities and the potential for a lifetime of increased

earning power for these men and women. It is an investment in the future for individuals who have served their country and protected our security both here and abroad.”

The General Richard B. Myers Veterans Biomedical Equipment Technology Program™ offers opportunities for companies and individuals to provide scholarships for veterans or to support the program in a number of ways. A veteran can be professionally trained, certified and readied for job placement in the *Give a Future* donation program at MediSend. There are several *Appreciation* levels for giving, but “All support, no matter the amount, is needed and appreciated to fulfill our commitment to the men and women who deserve the same future and security that they have protected for us,” says Nick Hallack, President and CEO of MediSend International.

“MediSend is proud to offer our unmatched training program to such deserving individuals. We are encouraged by the enthusiasm and inspired by the generosity of sponsors such as ExxonMobil that originally funded our school and our training laboratories, and Strasburger & Price Law Firm who is providing generous support for the new General Myers Veterans Program,” adds Hallack.

Additional information on the program including veterans’ entrance qualifications, an online application and *How You Can Help* may be found online at www.veteransbiomedicaltraining.org. The General Richard B. Myers Veterans Biomedical Equipment Technology Program™ will commence training veterans in July at MediSend International’s global headquarters and campus in Dallas, Texas.

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