

Mark D. Packer, M.D.

Biography

Lt Col Mark D. Packer is an Air Force Neurotologist appointed as the Executive Director of the congressionally mandated Department of Defense Hearing Center of Excellence. He graduated from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in 1995 as a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha medical honor society. He completed a general surgery internship at Wright State University in Dayton Ohio in 1996, and was board certified in Otolaryngology Head and Neck surgery upon finishing his residency training in the San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Consortium in 2002. Most recently he graduated from fellowship training in neurotology and cranial base surgery at The Ohio State University in 2008, and practices as a board certified Neurotologist within the San Antonio Military Medical Consortium.

Dr. Packer has been an active clinician, instructor and researcher. He has authored several text book chapters, directed five temporal bone surgical dissection courses, and three humanitarian surgical ear missions in South and Central America. Intermixed with his medical training Dr. Packer had the opportunity to serve in the operational Air Force as a flight surgeon attached to the 16th Special operations squadron. Working with joint task forces in this capacity he experienced first-hand the functional paradox between hearing prevention and communication in austere noise environments.