

COLONEL (Ret) ANNETTE TUCKER OSBORNE

COL (Ret) Annette Tucker Osborne embarked on her military career August 1984, was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant Army Nurse and was assigned to the 307th General Hospital, New York, NY. Her military assignments have been numerous and include: Clinical Intensive Care Nurse 307th General Hospital, Medical Surgical Nurse for Medical Mission in El Salvador, Officer in Charge, Trauma Training Program, Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, Executive Officer, Detachment 1, 344th Combat Support Hospital, Ft. Totten, Queens, New York; and Credential Officer, 8th Medical Brigade. She has served as Chief Nurse, 8th Medical Brigade, Ft. Wadsworth, Staten Island, New York, and most recently as the Clinical Operations Chief Nurse, 3rd MDSC OCP (FWD) Kuwait, Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) 2012.

Her awards and decorations include Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (w/4 Oak Leaf Clusters), National Defense Service Medal (W/1) service star, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (W/silver hourglass), Army Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Component Overseas Training, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Overseas Medal Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Meritorious Medal, the Legion of Merit Award. *Note: The Legion of Merit Award is a military decoration of the United States Armed Forces that is awarded for meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service and achievements. The decoration is issued to both United States military personnel and to political figures of foreign governments. The performance must have been such as to merit recognition of key individuals for service rendered in a clearly exceptional manner.*

Her military education includes AMEDD Office Basic and Achievement and Advanced Officer Basic Course, Army Medical Department Head Nurse Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Command and General Staff College, Army Nurse Leadership Course.

As a civilian (retired now), she served in the following positions: Senior Associate Director/Regulatory Affairs, Harlem Hospital, Director, Clinical Affairs/Quality Management for the New York City Health & Hospitals Corporation, Branch Chief, Survey and Certification, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (serving, NY, NJ, USVI & Puerto Rico), Patient Service Manager for Visiting Nurse (Brooklyn) and most recently served as a Joint Commission Surveyor.

Over the course of an illustrious career, COL Tucker Osborne has garnered a reputation of distinction for her outstanding efforts, receiving accolades for her exceptional work. She was inspired to pursue her career path by long-standing interest geriatrics. Motivated by an innate desire to help others in a professional arena, she has made a name for herself from her former Brooklyn community as the Community Health Nurse who administered flu shots to those who did not have insurance or due to their disability were unable to get out. She has been a contributor of health information for the 400 Street Block Association's Newsletter. In 2017 she and members of The National Association of Black Military Women Brooklyn Chapter where she serves as President visited the St. Albans Veterans Home distributing gifts for women veterans and spouses of veterans. A luncheon was given in their honor. She continues to serve communities in Brooklyn, Nassau and Suffolk visiting and speaking to schools, nursing homes and Assisted Living Facilities. November 2017, Annette received the Community Service award from The Nurses Association of the Counties of Long Island. Memorial Day 2018, she served as Grand Marshall and Key speaker for the Uniondale Memorial Day Parade and served as one of the guest speakers for the unveiling of the women's memorial monument at Calverton National Cemetery. She recently was appointed by Mayor Bill de Blasio to be a member of the Veterans Advisory Board.

COL (Ret) Tucker Osborne holds a master's degree from New School for Social Research; Post Masters in Nurse Education from College of Mount Saint Vincent, Post Master, Legal Nurse Consultant C.W. Post/LIU and is currently a Doctoral Candidate, 2019, Walden University. Currently COL (Ret) Tucker Osborne works as a Nurse Consultant conducting Mock Surveys for Nursing Homes and Hospitals. She is the President of the Brooklyn Chapter, National Association of Black Military Women