# Bibliographical Note

Attack on the Pentagon: The Medical Response to 9/11 is based largely on oral histories of medical responders obtained by Defense Department oral history teams and myself; primary documents mainly from the Surgeon General's Medical History Office; and e-mail exchanges between me and individual responders. Chapter references reveal the extent and variety of those sources.

Primary documents helped me to understand the sequence of events, the consequences of the attack, the decision-making process, the actions of responders, and the recommendations and plans for future crises. Some of the more significant ones were the after-action reports of hospitals and the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, and those written by Roser, Wallace, and Gum; the North Atlantic Regional Command's historical summary; the US Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine's health assessment surveys and 2001 annual report; updates to the surgeon general (daily briefings on the medical response to 9/11); Embrey's environmental health response to the attack; the Environmental Protection Agency's summary of environmental monitoring operations at the Pentagon; Army Medical Command emergency management planning documents; Peake's plan for enhancing medical nuclear, biological, and chemical readiness; and Army Medical Command memoranda for the record. A different kind of primary document, Nelson-Firing's essay on therapy dogs, enhanced the mental health story.

Published sources also contributed to my knowledge of the military medical response. In highlighting the community's response, Titan Systems Corporation's Arlington County After-Action Report on the Response to the September 11 Terrorist Attack on the Pentagon helped me appreciate the views and actions of participating organizations and of individuals at different levels of command. The 9/11 Commission Report provided invaluable background reading for the causes of the attack, a reliable timeline, data, and statistics. Another account, Goldberg et al's Pentagon 9/11 (Defense Studies Series; Historical Office, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, DC; 2007), was published after my manuscript

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Copies of unpublished sources, transcripts of interviews, reports, summaries, surveys, and essays used in this book can be found at the Office of the Surgeon General Medical History Office, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

## Abbreviations and Acronyms

AAR after-action report

ABA American Burn Association

AFIP Armed Forces Institute of Pathology
AFME Armed Forces Medical Examiner
AMEDD Army Medical Department

BDU battle dress uniform CB citizens' band

CHPPM Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive

Medicine

CIA Central Intelligence Agency
CISD critical incident stress debriefing
CMHS Center for Mental Health Services

CONUS continental United States
CPR cardiac pulmonary resuscitation

CTT common task training

DAC Department of the Army civilian

DASG Department of the Army Surgeon General

DCE defense coordinating element DoD Department of Defense

DOEHRS Defense Occupational and Environmental Health

Reporting System

DOMS Director of Military Service
DPS Defense Protective Service

DSCA Defense Support of Civil Authorities
DTHC DiLorenzo Tricare Health Clinic
EMT emergency medical technician
EMS emergency medical services
EPA Environmental Protection Agency

EOC emergency operation center

ER emergency room

ERMC European Regional Medical Command

FBI Federal Bureau of Investigation

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

FDC Fife & Drum Corps

FDNY Fire Department of New York

FD fire department

G-2 intelligence directorate [US Army]
GRMC Great Plains Regional Medical Command

HAZMAT hazardous materials HCO Health Care Operations

HHC headquarters headquarters company

HQ headquarters

HVAC heat, ventilation and air conditioning

ICU intensive care unit ID identification

IM/IT information management/information technology

IMO Information Management Officer

INOVA In Northern Virginia

IV intravenous

J-4 Joint Chiefs of Staff—Logistics

LBJ Lyndon Baines Johnson LCWS low-cost work-station

LNO liaison officer
MASCAL mass casualty
MC Medical Corps
MEDCOM Medical Command

MC, FS Medical Corps, Flight Surgeon

MEDCOM MSC Medical Command, Major Subordinate Command MEDCOM RMC Medical Command, Regional Medical Command

MEDEVAC medical evacuation
MedSTAR Medical Star

MOS military occupational specialty
MTF medical treatment facility

NARMC North Atlantic Regional Medical Command

NBC nuclear, biological, chemical NCO noncommissioned officer

NCOIC noncommissioned officer in charge
NDMS national disaster medical system
NRMC Northern Regional Medical Command
NTSB National Transportation Safety Board
NVHA Northern Virginia Hospital Alliance
NYARNG New York Army National Guard

NYC New York City

NYPD New York Police Department

OAFME Office of the Armed Forces Medical Examiner
ODCSPER Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel

OEM Office of Emergency Management

OHMIS Occupational Health Management Information

System

OPSCENTER operations center

ORI operations readiness inspection
OTSG Office of the Surgeon General
PAAR psychological after-action reviews

PAM pamphlet

PCB polychlorinated biphenyls

PERS Casualty Assistance/Prisoner of War and Missing in

Action/Retired Activities Branch

PERSCOM Personnel Command

PGI Portland Group Incorporated [surveillance software

program]

PPE personal protective equipment
PRMC Pacific Regional Medical Command

PROFIS professional officer filler information system

RDML rear admiral

RMC regional medical commander

S-3 operations division SAR search and rescue

SERMC South East Regional Medical Command SMART special medical augmentation response team

SMART-SM special medical augmentation response team–stress

management

SRMC Southern Regional Medical Command

SUV sports utility vehicle

TDI Therapy Dogs, International

TOE Table of Organization and Equipment TRICARE triple care [Army, Navy, Air Force]

TSG the Surgeon General

USACHPPM US Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive

Medicine

USAF US Air Force

USANC US Army Nurse Corps

USN US Navy USNS US Navy Ship

US Public Health Service
VA Department of Veterans Affairs
WHS Washington Headquarters Services
WMD weapons of mass destruction
WRAMC Walter Reed Army Medical Center

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WRMC Western Regional Medical Command

WTC World Trade Center

WTCHAS World Trade Center Health Assessment Survey

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