PREFACE

This manual provides guidance to health service support (HSS) planners at all echelons of care within a theater of operations (TO). It contains a digest of the accepted principles and procedures pertaining to HSS planning. Information in this publication is applicable across the spectrum of military operations. It is compatible with the Army's combat service support (CSS) doctrine. Readers should have a fundamental understanding of Field Manuals (FMs) 8-10, 100-5, 100-10,100-15, 100-20, 101-5, and 101-10-1/1 and -1/2. The planner must supplement or replace the data in this manual with any known factors to meet the needs of his particular situation.

The staffing and organizational structure presented in this publication reflect information in the most current living tables of organization and equipment (LTOE) as of calendar year 1992. However, staffing is subject to change to comply with manpower requirements criteria outlined in Army Regulation (AR) 570-2. Your table of organization and equipment (TOE) can be subsequently modified.

A series of FMs currently under development will provide techniques and procedures for specific HSS organizations and activities in the TO. These manuals will be published over the next several years.

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