

PREFACE

This manual explains the purpose of health service support (HSS) in a theater of operations. It discusses the current HSS force structure and the modernization initiative known as Medical Force 2000. This modernization initiative is to be completed by the year 2000.

As the keystone manual of the Army Medical Department (AMEDD), Field Manual (FM) 8-10 is for the use of nonmedical unit commanders and their staff, command surgeons, and medical unit commanders and their staff. It is to be used as a guide in obtaining as well as providing HSS in a theater of operations. Information in this publication is applicable across the operational continuum. It is compatible with the Army's combat service support (CSS) doctrine in support of the AirLand Battle (ALB). Readers should have a fundamental understanding of FM 100-5, FM 100-10, FM 100-15, FM 100-20, and FM 101-5.

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

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