



UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
HAS AWARDED THE

COAST GUARD COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

LIEUTENANT MICHAEL J. DORIA
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
FOR

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT FROM OCTOBER 2012 TO SEPTEMBER 2013

GIVEN THIS

29th

DAY OF

July 2013



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Maury K. Dollymore".

For the Commandant,
MAURY K. DOLLYMORE
Rear Admiral, U. S. Public Health Service
U.S. Coast Guard
Director of Health, Safety and Work-Life

**CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE COAST GUARD COMMENDATION MEDAL**

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TO

LIEUTENANT MICHAEL J. DORIA

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Lieutenant DORIA is cited for outstanding achievement in the performance of duty while assigned as Traumatic Brain Injury Program Manager and Instructor; and Yellow Ribbon Program Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Prevention Instructor, Coast Guard Headquarters from October 2012 through September 2013. Displaying extraordinary energy and enthusiasm Lieutenant DORIA ensured Coast Guard compliance with Department of Defense traumatic brain injury policy and established two service-wide, comprehensive, inter-disciplinary programs focused on prevention, training, treatment & tracking of psychological health and Traumatic Brain Injury cases. As the most junior officer of a joint military subject matter expert cohort, he tirelessly served as an advocate to ensure all Coast Guard personnel received optimal evaluation, treatment, and follow-up care from Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs health care systems. Lieutenant DORIA skillfully developed Continuing Medical Education accredited curricula for five new courses which included use of the state of the art Military Acute Concussion Evaluation tool. He deftly provided face to face training for 180 Coast Guard and other military medical providers at more than 30 clinical sites. He was instrumental in development and production of the Coast Guard's first-ever Traumatic Brain Injury awareness training video, featuring personnel from more than 15 units and interviews with flag officers. He also served as the principal investigator for a fully funded \$2.5 million four year research study and adroitly shepherded it through the Institutional Review Board Process. For National Brain Injury Awareness month, he published articles on the official Coast Guard website, the Department of Homeland Security website, and in RESERVIST magazine, raising awareness throughout the Coast Guard and Department of Homeland Security on psychological health and Traumatic Brain Injury. Lieutenant DORIA's dedication and devotion to duty are most heartily commended and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard.

