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Colonel Todd Rasmussen completed his medical degree at Mayo Medical School in 1993 and surgical training at Wilford Hall Medical Center on Lackland Air Force Base in 1999. He returned to Mayo for vascular surgery training in 1999 after which he was assigned to the National Capital Area just before 9/11/2001. Soon after, he began caring for injured returning from Afghanistan at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, DC.

In 2004 Colonel Rasmussen returned to San Antonio and deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom at the Air Force Theater Hospital on Balad Air Base. Following this he initiated a vascular injury and hemorrhage control research and innovation program. He's completed tours as a surgeon in Iraq and Afghanistan. Colonel Rasmussen has led surgical training missions in Morocco, Pakistan and Russia and his research efforts have resulted in 200+ publications, 25 book chapters, 2 textbooks and 4 patents. In 2012 he gave a TED talk on the transformation of military trauma care and its impact on medicine.

Colonel Rasmussen served as Deputy Commander of the Institute of Surgical Research from and then directed the larger DoD Combat Casualty Care Research Program at Fort Detrick, Maryland. In 2017 he became Associate Dean for Research at the F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine at the Uniformed Service University where he is the Harris B Shumacker Jr., Professor of Surgery. Colonel Rasmussen is a vascular surgeon at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.