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Dr. Rubertone graduated from Georgetown University School of Medicine in 1985. Following a general surgery internship, he was accepted into the Army Aviation Medicine Program at Fort Rucker in Alabama. He was stationed at Fort Lewis in Washington where he served as the brigade surgeon and chief flight surgeon for the 9th Cavalry Brigade (Air Attack) until 1989. During his tour, he was detailed to Soto Cano Air Base in Honduras, serving as flight surgeon to Joint Task Force-Bravo.

After completing a master's in public health at the Harvard School of Public Health and a preventive medicine residency at Madigan Army Medical Center, Dr. Rubertone was assigned to the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Washington, D.C. in 1992. He successfully led an effort to automate disease reporting throughout the Army and became increasingly involved with medical surveillance information systems.

In 1994, he became the chief of Army Medical Surveillance Activity (AMSA) for the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine (CHPPM). At AMSA, Dr. Rubertone led many initiatives that included the transition of the Army Medical Surveillance System to the Defense Medical Surveillance System (DMSS), the establishment of the Medical Surveillance Monthly Report (MSMR), the creation of the Defense Medical Epidemiology Database (DMED) and the expansion and relocation of the DoD Serum Repository (DoDSR). He was honored in 1998 as a recipient of The Joseph Lovell Award for Professional Excellence for his contributions to the field of medical surveillance.

After service for two years on the Defense Health Surveillance Implementation Task Force, Dr. Rubertone retired as a colonel in the U.S. Army in 2007 and began working as a government civilian for the Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine. In 2009, he assumed his current position as director of the division of Data Management and Technical Support at AFHSC. His focus areas remain public health informatics, health information database design, management and utilization, disease and injury surveillance methods, lab automation and efficient storage and use of DoDSR. Dr. Rubertone has contributed to over 40 peer-reviewed publications and is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit.