Deployment-Related Websites

Directory of Deployment Health and Medically Unrelated Symptoms Websites

This directory is an expanded list of government agencies, voluntary associations and private organizations that provide diabetes information and resources.

These organizations and related websites offer educational materials and support to people with deployment health issues and the general public. Other sites are specific to health care professionals.

Links to non-federal organizations are provided solely as a service to our users. Links do not constitute an endorsement of any organization by the Army Medical Department (AMEDD) or the Department of Defense (DoD) and none should be inferred. The AMEDD and the DoD is not responsible for the content of the individual organization’s web page found via these web sites or their links.

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**Air War College Gateway to Military Medicine**

The Air War College Gateway to Military Medicine is a virtual library that contains a wide range of information on medical topics including, among others, Combat Medicine, Deployment Medicine, Special Ops Medicine, NBC and First-Aid. Under these topics are documents such as a GAO’s Wartime Medical Care report; a speech on medical force protection and medical surveillance; Nuclear, Biological, Chemical bibliographies; and the Textbook of Military Medicine on War Psychiatry.

**American Academy of Family Physicians**

This site provides a journal article addressing Medically Unexplained Symptoms.

**ArmyOneSource**

AOS is a 24-hour, seven-days-a-week toll-free information and referral telephone service available to active duty, National Guard and Reserve soldiers, deployed civilians, and their families worldwide. AOS provides information ranging from every day concerns to deployment/reintegration issues. Additionally, if there is a need for face-to-face counseling, AOS will provide referrals to professional civilian counselors for assistance (up to 6 visits). OCONUS, face-to-face counseling is provided via existing Medical Treatment Facility-contracted marriage and family counselors.

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**
[www.cdc.gov/](http://www.cdc.gov/)

The Centers for Disease Control serves as the national focus for developing and applying disease prevention and control, environmental health, and health promotion and education activities designed to improve the health of the people of the United States. CDC Campaigns, programs, conferences, events, publications and products, data and statistics, health and safety topics, and more are available from this site. Of specific interest is the deployment related topics at: [www.cdc.gov/search.do?action=search&queryText=deployment&x=14&y=6](http://www.cdc.gov/search.do?action=search&queryText=deployment&x=14&y=6) and CDC’s travel-related information at: [www.cdc.gov/travel/](http://www.cdc.gov/travel/)

**Department of Veterans Affairs**
[www.va.gov/](http://www.va.gov/)

The Department of Veterans Affairs provides information on VA programs, veterans benefits, worldwide VA facilities, and VA medical automation software. Main topics and informational links include health, education, compensation, home loan, appeals, life insurance, Iraqi Freedom, vocational rehab, VA Kids, burial and more.
Gulf link: Gulf War Illnesses Home Page
www.gulflink.osd.mil/
Gulf Link was established in August 1995 to provide on-line access to medical, operational, and intelligence documents from the 1990-1991 Gulf War. Its purpose is to provide Service Members, Veterans, and interested person with information on what happened during that war that might have affected the health of those who served.

Hooah 4 Health
www.hooah4health.com/environment/deployment.htm
The U.S. Army Office of the Surgeon General, the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine, the Army National Guard, and the Office of the Chief, Army Reserve, sponsor this web site. Unlike other health-related web sites, this one is specifically designed to address the force health protection and readiness requirements of the ARMY, particularly its Reserve Component. In 1998 the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine was tasked by the U.S. Army Office of the Surgeon General to devise a health promotion partnership that allows individuals to assume the responsibility to explore options and take charge of their health and well being. This web site offers numerous tips, guides and other sources of information in an easy to read and navigate format.

Institute of Medicine – Health of Veterans and Deployed Forces
http://www.iom.edu/global/topics/veterans-health.aspx
The Institute of Medicine and the National Research Council are part of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS), a private, non-profit, self-perpetuating society of distinguished scholars engaged in scientific and engineering research. They have produced and continue to produce reports on the health and protection of deployed military forces and veterans. These reports build on the Academy’s long history of addressing scientific and medical issues related to past and current military conflicts. This site provides information about the Institute of Medicine’s work in this area, including summaries and recommendations from past reports, as well as explanations of chemical and biological agents, and links to ongoing projects.

Naval Health Research Center
www.nhrc.navy.mil/
The Naval Health Research Center (NHRC) is a strategically positioned forward Bureau of Medicine and Surgery laboratory to support fleet operational readiness through research, development, test, and evaluation on the biomedical and psychological aspects of the Navy and Marine Corps. Most of the work conducted at this facility is in the advanced development stage of the research or evaluation process and requires close and continuous interaction with operational units of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Special Operations. The Center’s mission includes conducting epidemiological studies to investigate the longitudinal health experience of previously deployed military personnel and the development and evaluation of appropriate health surveillance strategies. Research includes studies of symptoms, hospitalizations, reproductive outcomes, mortality, and other health outcomes among DoD beneficiary populations, both military and civilian.
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Readjustment Counseling, Bereavement Counseling (Vet Centers)

www.va.gov/rcs

This VA program welcomes home with honor the war veteran by providing quality readjustment services in a caring manner assisting them and their family members toward a successful post-war adjustment in or near their respective communities. Bereavement Counseling is now being offered to parents, spouses and children of Armed Forces personnel who died in the service of their country. Also eligible are family members of reservists and National Guardsmen who die while on duty.

Defense Health Board

http://www.health.mil/dhb/default.cfm

Defense Health Board provides independent scientific advice/recommendations on matters relating to operational programs, health policy development, health research programs, and requirements for the treatment and prevention of disease and injury, promotion of health care to DoD beneficiaries.