

The WRIISC: Your Experts in Post-Deployment Health

The War Related Illness and Injury Study Center (WRIISC) (pronounced "risk") is a National VA program devoted to post deployment Veterans and their unique health care needs. We develop and provide expertise for Veterans and their health care providers through clinical evaluation, research, education, and risk communication.



There are three WRIISC locations, all at Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Centers. These locations are: East Orange, New Jersey, Washington, DC, and Palo Alto, California.

The WRIISC focuses on improving care and quality of life for Veterans with deployment-related health concerns. Our clinical program offers Veterans with post deployment health concerns the opportunity to be evaluated by a multi-disciplinary team of health care specialists. At the end of the comprehensive evaluation, each Veteran is provided with an individualized treatment plan – or road map – for managing their current health. These comprehensive evaluations are unique in the context of the Department of Defense (DoD)-VA medical system.

**Call us today.
Help us help you!**

For more information call our
National Referral Program Coordinator at:

1-202-461-1013

or one of our three locations:

War Related Illness and Injury Study Center
Department of Veterans Affairs
New Jersey Health Care System
385 Tremont Ave.
Mailstop 129, 11th floor
East Orange, NJ 07018-1023
1-800-248-8005
wriisc.nj@va.gov

War Related Illness and Injury Study Center
VA Palo Alto Health Care System
3801 Miranda Ave.
Mailcode 151W
Palo Alto, CA 94304-1290
1-888-482-4376
wriisc.ca@va.gov

War Related Illness and Injury Study Center
VA Medical Center
Room 3B 203 (MS 127)
50 Irving St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20422-0002
1-800-722-8340
wriisc.dc@va.gov



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Information for Veterans



Our Teams of Medical Professionals Can Include:

- Medical Doctors/Physician Assistants/Nurse Practitioners, Nurses
- Specialists in Environmental Medicine
- Psychologists/Neuropsychologists
- Social Workers
- Chaplains
- Specialists in Complementary Alternative Medicine (CAM) such as acupuncturists and yoga instructors
- Risk Communication and Health Education Specialists

WRIISC Clinical Services for Veterans Include:

- Comprehensive medical evaluations for medically unexplained symptoms (symptoms that do not have clear medical explanation) for Veterans from any era or conflict

*“The WRIISC did a phenomenal job and made it **EASY** for me to talk about my **health concerns** and problems.”*

- Comprehensive medical evaluations for OEF/OIF Veterans with health concerns related to deployment
Each evaluation includes a mental health screening without needing to specifically request one.
- Comprehensive review of military exposures for Veterans from any era or conflict



We focus on improving Veteran quality of life.

- seminars, and conferences.
- We promote Veterans' emotional wellness and social function by identifying issues affecting well-being and offering assistance in managing problems.

“My WRIISC visit increased my peace of mind from 50 to 100% and led to a better understanding of my health care.”

- Screening evaluations for mild traumatic brain injury (mTBI)
- Support from WRIISC social workers
- Support and Re-integration groups
- Educational courses and offerings
- CAM treatments including Yoga and Acupuncture

Note: Some of these services may require a referral from your VA PCP and not all services are available at each WRIISC.

Education and Social Work Services:

- We provide educational materials to Veterans that address health concerns and problems.
- We share our experiences within the VA community through written materials,

Research: Looking toward the future

We conduct cutting edge research where findings can help shape the type of care Veterans receive and ways in which it is delivered.

Participating in research helps other Veterans! Inquire at your local WRIISC about projects you might be eligible to participate in.

Please visit our WRIISC National Web site for more information on specific services and programs:
www.warrelatedillness.va.gov