

# The War Related Illness and Injury Study Center

The **WAR RELATED ILLNESS AND INJURY STUDY CENTER (WRIISC)** is a national program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) established to develop and provide post-deployment health expertise to Veterans and their health care providers through clinical care, research, education, and risk communication.

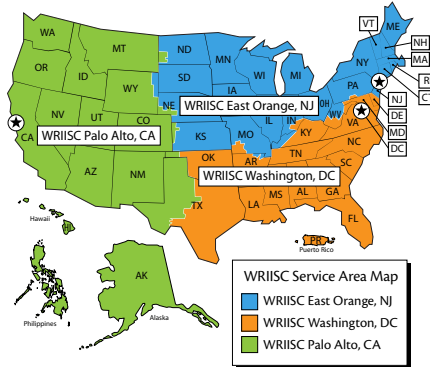


We provide  
**post deployment health services**  
that address the needs of  
**Veterans and their families.**

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

Contact us today.  
Help us help you!

## WRIISC Service Areas:



[www.WarRelatedIllness.va.gov](http://www.WarRelatedIllness.va.gov)

**1-800-248-8005**

War Related Illness and Injury Study Center  
Department of Veterans Affairs  
New Jersey Health Care System  
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Mail Stop 129, 11<sup>th</sup> floor  
East Orange, NJ 07018-1023  
[wriisc.nj@va.gov](mailto:wriisc.nj@va.gov)

**1-888-482-4376**

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Are you a Veteran with  
**exposure concerns?**



Learn about our  
**exposure clinic.**

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# Exposure Clinic

The WRIISC has extensive experience in conducting exposure assessments for Veterans. Veterans often have questions about things they were exposed to while deployed and whether any of these exposures might contribute to health problems now or in the future.

## Veterans, do you have questions about:

- Agent Orange
- Airborne Hazards
- Anthrax Vaccine
- Depleted Uranium
- Multiple Immunizations
- Preventative Medications
- Nerve Agents or their Antidotes
- Sandstorms
- Air Pollution from Burning Trash
- Soot from Oil Well Fires
- Jet Fuel, Solvents
- Pesticides
- Heavy Metals
- The Impact of Exposures on Family Members

## WRIISC Exposure Assessment

During an exposure consult Veterans will discuss their concerns with a clinician who specializes in occupational and environmental medicine. The assessment, findings, and any recommendations made will be placed into the Veteran's VA computerized medical record (CPRS). We then encourage all Veterans to follow-up with their referring provider. To make it easier, the exposure assessment can be completed over the phone as well as in person.

## WRIISC Exposure Assessment Referral Process

Veterans with deployment related exposure concerns may be eligible for a WRIISC in person or telephonic exposure assessment. Referrals to the WRIISC program are initiated by the Veteran's VA Primary Care Provider (PCP), Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT), post-deployment health champion, or environmental provider. This is done through placing an inter-facility consult (IFC) request in the VA's computerized Medical Record System (CPRS). Your referring provider can visit our website for more information: [www.WarRelatedIllness.va.gov/referral/va-referrals.asp](http://www.WarRelatedIllness.va.gov/referral/va-referrals.asp).

Every WRIISC referral receives an E-Consult response which consists of a thorough medical record review addressing the Veteran's top concerns and suggests next assessment and management steps for Provider(s) and the Veteran. *(Veterans should have their referring provider indicate if the focus of the referral is to address exposure concerns and the possible relationship of an exposure to a health concern.)*

For more information on our exposure consult services, please contact the WRIISC located nearest you (see back cover for contact information).

