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# Just the Jacks... Overview of Technical Directorates

The U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine (USACHPPM) lineage can be traced back over 50 years to the Army Industrial Hygiene Laboratory. It was established under the direct jurisdiction of The Army Surgeon General at the beginning of World War II to specifically address fatalities associated with munitions manufacturing during World War I.

#### MISSION:

To provide health promotion and preventive medicine leadership and services to counter environmental, occupational, and disease threats to health, fitness, and readiness in support of the National Military Strategy.

#### ORGANIZATION:

USACHPPM is composed of military personnel, Government civilian employees, and contractors all working together in support of multiple and cross-functional preventive medicine functions. As a multi-disciplined organization, we are able to share ideas and analyze issues from many technical disciplines. Our organization is headquartered at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland with subordinate commands in Landstuhl, Germany; Camp Zama, Japan; Fort Meade, Maryland; Fort McPherson, Georgia; and Fort Lewis, Washington.

Through these regionally based commands, USACHPPM is able to enhance our attention and response to customer needs. Our team of professionals provides worldwide scientific expertise and services in the areas of:

### Directorate of Clinical Preventive Medicine (DCPM)

DCPM promotes readiness and quality of life within the Army community through state-of-the-art preventive and occupational medicine services and consultations. The directorate provides an unparalleled resource of physicians, nurses, and allied health-care professionals to address the health issues facing today's Army. DCPM provides services in the following program areas:

- Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- ◆ Disease and Injury Control Policy
- Hearing Conservation
- Tri-Service Vision Conservation and Readiness

#### Directorate of Toxicology (DTOX)

DTOX identifies, recognizes, evaluates, and controls toxic hazards in support of Army readiness. DTOX provides services in the following program areas:

- ♦ Health Effects Research
- ♦ Toxicity Evaluation
- ♦ Department of Veterinary Medicine

## Directorate of Environmental Health Engineering (DEHE)

DEHE enhances readiness by providing worldwide support to environmental health and environmental quality programs of the U.S. Army. The directorate provides worldwide environmental health engineering expertise to enhance the readiness of the U.S. Army on behalf of The Army Surgeon General. DEHE provides services in the following program areas:

- ♦ Air Pollution Surveillance Program
- ♦ Environmental Health Risk Assessment
- Risk Communication
- ♦ Hazardous and Medical Waste
- Water Supply Management

- ♦ Deployment Environmental Surveillance
- ◆ Environmental Noise
- Ground Water and Solid Waste
- ♦ Surface Water and Wastewater
- Public Health Assessments

#### Directorate of Occupational Health Sciences (DOHS)

DOHS supports the warfighter and the industrial base by providing expertise in the anticipation, recognition, evaluation, and control of chemical, physical, and entomological stressors. DOHS provides services in the following program areas:

- Entomology
- ♦ Health Physics Management
- ◆ Laser/Optical Radiation
- ♦ Radiofrequency/Ultrasound
- ♦ Defense Occupational Health Readiness System
- ♦ Occupational Health Management Information System
- Industrial Hygiene Field Services
- Industrial Hygiene and Medical Safety
- ♦ Ergonomics
- ♦ Health Hazard Assessment

## Directorate of Epidemiology and Disease Surveillance (DEDS)

DEDS establishes and operates a central epidemiologic resource for the Army; analyzes, interprets, and disseminates information regarding the status, trends, and determination of the health and fitness of America's Army; and identifies and evaluates obstacles to medical readiness. DEDS provides services in the following program areas:

- ◆ Epidemiology and Epidemiology Consultation
- Medical Surveillance and Defense Medical SurveillanceSystem
- ♦ Population Health
- ♦ Injury Prevention
- ◆ Clinical Preventive Medicine

## Directorate of Health Promotion and Wellness (DHPW)

DHPW delivers a health and fit force by integrating health promotion into the Total Army by recommending policy, developing and evaluating programs, providing training and technical support, developing and disseminating information, and identifying and recommending research needs. DHPW provides services in the following program areas:

- ♦ Readiness Resource Program
- ♦ Wellness Resource Program
- ♦ Population Resource Program

## Directorate of Laboratory Sciences (DLS)

DLS provides comprehensive laboratory science support to help solve the unique occupational and environmental health problems associated with military operations. DLS is a full service environmental and occupational health laboratory that provides services in the following areas:

- Analytical Spectrometry
- Laboratory Information and Sample Management
- ♦ Occupational Health Consultant

- ♦ Chromatographic Analysis
- ◆ Environmental Health Consultant
- ◆ Radiologic, Classic and Clinical Chemistry
- ♦ Field Readiness Special Project Consultant

### Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations (DCSOPS)

DCSOPS strives to be the Army's leader in operational preventive medicine readiness planning, training, and deployment support for U.S. Forces in the field – worldwide. DCSOPS provides services in the following program areas:

- ♦ Current Operations Division
- Support Operations Division