About HJF

The Henry M. Jackson Foundation for the Advancement of Military Medicine, Inc. (HJF) is a global, nonprofit organization created to accelerate progress in military medicine. Authorized by the U.S. Congress, HJF works to promote military-civilian interchange, support the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU) and advance all Department of Defense (DoD) research efforts for the mutual benefit of military and civilian medicine.

From program management to laboratory research, our thorough scientific, administrative and program management services empower researchers and clinicians with the resources they need to find answers and drive change, while removing barriers to success.

Array of multi-site and international research and program management services includes everything from budgets to staffing to special equipment purchasing.

Market Your Technology

HJF facilitates collaboration between investigators and private industry partners worldwide to make innovative medical technologies available for clinical use and to take leading edge products to market. Our technology transfer experts assist you in creating translating research strategies, executing collaboration and licensing agreements, protecting and managing intellectual property, and establishing agreements for the exchange of information materials and data across institutions and organizations.
Infectious diseases remain one of the greatest threats to mission capacity and operational readiness of U.S. military forces. Service members are routinely exposed to infectious pathogens transmitted through vector, vehicle and contact. Infectious disease can also impact international stability by weakening economies, military and police forces, and government and social institutions. HJF collaborates with DoD on research to develop novel countermeasures for the detection, prevention and treatment of infectious disease. We execute a diverse biomedical research portfolio at military treatment facilities and DoD laboratories worldwide while facilitating collaborations with academic and industry partners. From vaccine development to surveillance and epidemiology, HJF has become a key partner in driving infectious disease research success within the military by promoting public-private partnerships and providing solutions to help DoD programs strengthen and diversify their research portfolios.

Programs

U.S Military HIV Research Program
Since partnering with HJF in 1986, the U.S. Military Research Program (MHRP) at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR) has become a world leader in HIV research including vaccine studies, threat assessment and epidemiology, diagnostics, and cure research. Together, MHRP and HJF scientists and researchers work side by side to conduct innovative, basic, preclinical and clinical HIV research. MHRP and HJF also engage strategic partnerships with key research institutions, host countries, and other public and private organizations to develop an international network of clinical sites in the U.S., Africa and Asia. MHRP’s established international clinical research infrastructure allows rapid response to evolving military threats posed by emerging pathogens, including recent support to help develop vaccines for Ebola, Zika and MERS.

Military Malaria Research Program
HJF provides technical, programmatic and administrative support for the Military Malaria Research Program (MMRP) at WRAIR, promoting research collaborations for both malaria vaccines and malaria experimental therapeutics.

Austere environments Consortium for Enhanced Sepsis Outcomes
Military personnel are at particular risk of sepsis when deployed to austere regions with limited resources. The Austere environments Consortium for Enhanced Sepsis Outcomes (ACESO) aims to improve the survival rate for patients with sepsis through early recognition, diagnosis and evidence-based clinical management. HJF partners with the Navy to provide clinical and scientific expertise and programmatic and coordination support for ACESO.

Joint West African Research Group
The Joint West African Research Group (JWARG) aims to build and strengthen infectious disease laboratory and clinical research capabilities in West Africa and contribute to the development of effective infectious disease countermeasures including diagnostics, therapeutics and vaccines. JWARG is a collaboration among government, military, academic, and non-governmental organizations in the U.S. and Africa, led by ACESO, MHRP, Walter Reed Program – Nigeria (WRP-N) and NMRC’s Naval Medical Research Unit #3 Ghana Detachment (NAMRU-3G).

Operational Infectious Diseases, Directorate, Naval Health Research Center
The Operational Infectious Diseases (OID) Directorate’s Respiratory Disease Laboratory at the Naval Health Research Center (NHRC) functions as the Armed Forces Health Surveillance Branch (AFHSB), Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System (GEIS) Navy hub. HJF scientists and research support staff process and bank samples in the OID Directorate’s laboratory, diagnosing and characterizing pathogens collected from clinical specimens during surveillance.

Infectious Disease Surveillance at the U.S. Army Medical Research Directorate – Kenya
The U.S. Army Medical Research Directorate – Kenya (USAMRU-K) enlists HJF’s help to conduct bench science, surveillance and testing of infectious disease medical countermeasures and diagnostics. HJF supports surveillance on emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases including HIV/AIDS, avian and pandemic influenza, and arboviral and antimicrobial-resistant infections. HJF works with USAMRU-K in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda, facilitating partnerships with a wide range of important stakeholders in each country.

Center for Disease Control and Prevention
The U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) partners with HJF on their projects in global health security, laboratory capability and capacity building, and infectious disease research at the Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), as well as other national and international partners in global health. HJF provides medical research services, personnel and resources for the CDC’s programs in sub-Saharan Africa.