



## National Intrepid Center of Excellence

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The National Intrepid Center of Excellence offers its staff the opportunity to work in a state-of-the-art facility, using an interdisciplinary approach to medical care and research for service members and their families. The NICoE is currently seeking team-oriented physicians, clinicians, and researchers to help with its mission and provide medical guidance and care to our returning service members.

*Please see contact information below for more information on working at the NICoE.*

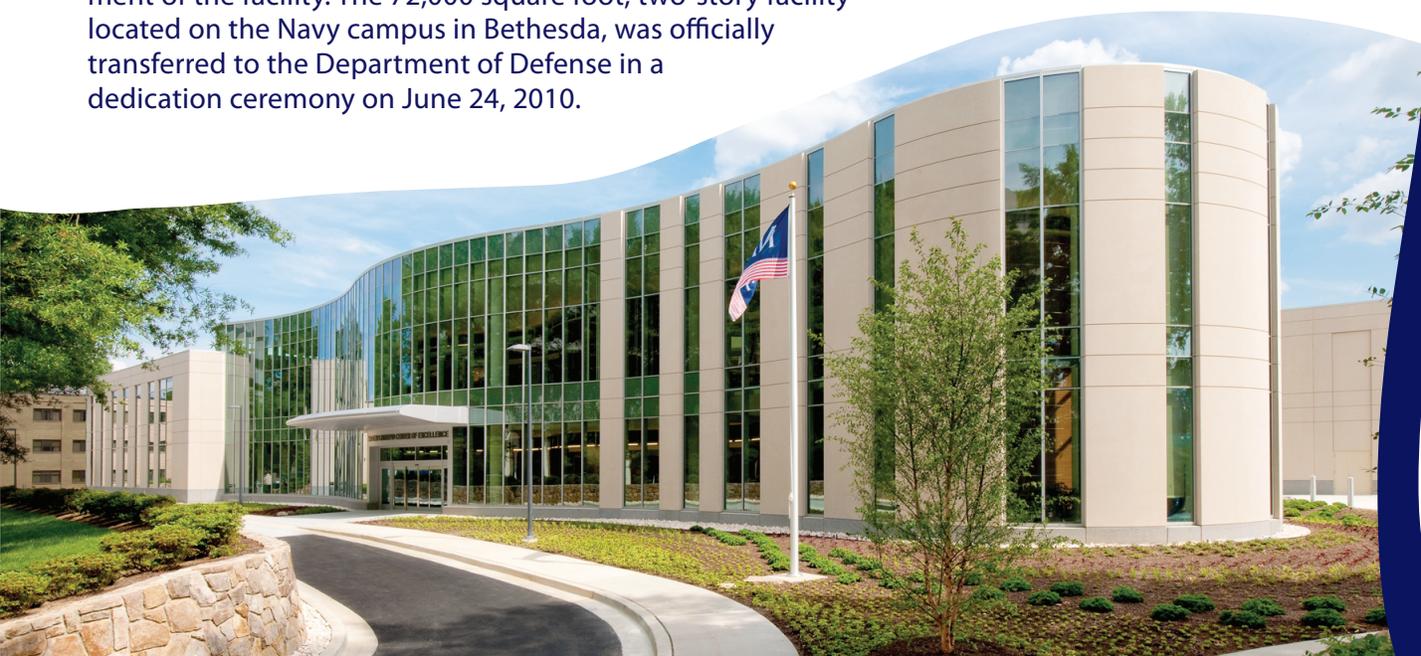
### PURPOSE

The NICoE is led by a skilled interdisciplinary team that strives to harness the latest advances in science, therapy, telehealth, education, research and technology while providing compassionate, family-centered care for service members and their loved ones throughout the treatment and recovery process.

The NICoE provides interdisciplinary diagnostic evaluations of complex traumatic brain injury and psychological health conditions. Subsequent treatment plans are developed in a family-focused, collaborative environment while promoting physical, psychological and spiritual healing. In addition to advanced diagnostics and treatment planning, the NICoE also focuses on providing family education and reintegration support. Additional key principles include a commitment to long-term follow-up and family contact and the mission to serve as a research hub utilizing the most current technical and clinical resources to initiate innovative pilot studies designed to advance medical science in TBI and PH.

### BACKGROUND

The NICoE is a facility dedicated to advancing the clinical care, diagnosis, research and education of service members and families experiencing combat related TBI and PH conditions. The fundraising effort for the NICoE was led by the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund, securing \$65 million in private donations from the American people and overseeing the construction and equipment of the facility. The 72,000 square foot, two-story facility located on the Navy campus in Bethesda, was officially transferred to the Department of Defense in a dedication ceremony on June 24, 2010.



**HOPE:** To recognize currently unknown patterns of physiological and psychological processes, developing proven treatment solutions for service members and their families

**HEALING:** To provide a sense of healing through physical, behavioral, social and spiritual care

**DISCOVERY:** To be a leader through family-centric approaches to the physical, social and spiritual wellness continuum as well as a forum for research and promising treatment trials

**LEARNING:** To become the national scientific and research information hub for service members, families, providers, researchers, staff and our academic partners

## PATIENT AND FAMILY AMENITIES

The NICoE features the following amenities for service members and their families:

- Patient rooms for art and music therapy, sleep studies and recreation therapy
- Family lounge, playground, café, business center and activity center
- Conference rooms, classrooms and auditorium
- “Central Park” atrium, which serves as a peaceful, naturalistic center with plants, simulated sounds, an indoor labyrinth, and different surfaces for service members to experience while walking

## AN INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACH

One of the major components that differentiates the NICoE is the interdisciplinary approach used to work with and treat patients. With a core team including an Internist (team leader), Neurologist, Psychiatrist, Neuropsychologist, Family Therapist, Physical and Occupational Therapist and Chaplain, the NICoE utilizes the skills and experiences of its staff to provide well-rounded care to service members. From group intake meetings to individual consultations, the interdisciplinary approach allows the service member to meet with a variety of medical professionals in a short period of time that are all in consistent communication and collaboration.

## ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY FOR WARRIOR CARE

The NICoE features cutting-edge technology, such as the CAREN (Computer Assisted Rehabilitation Environment), one of only eight such machines in the world featuring a motion platform, embedded treadmill, and virtual environments for evaluating and rehabilitating a patient’s vision, reaction time, gait and multitasking ability. Additionally, the NICoE utilizes some of the most advanced imaging technologies in the world, including a Positron Emission Tomography-Computed Tomography (PET-CT), 3 Tesla Magnetic Resonance imaging (MRI), and Magnetoencephalography (MEG), enabling providers to view brain scans and images in multiple dimensions.

## THE FUTURE

The NICoE seeks to be a national leader in advancing world-class psychological health and traumatic brain injury treatment, research and education in a healing environment. With its dedicated staff, the NICoE seeks to be an instrument of hope, healing, discovery, and learning for service members recovering from TBI and PH conditions.

## CURRENT OPENINGS

We are always seeking top talent and have a number of openings. Please visit <http://www.USAJobs.gov> and search keyword “NICoE”. All currently advertised opportunities will be announced through USAJobs.

If you would be interested in learning more about current or future job opportunities, contact us at:  
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