Dear Fort Drum Community,

On behalf of our outstanding team of hardworking medical professionals at Fort Drum, we welcome you to great patient care, exceptional patient experiences, and outstanding patient satisfaction. Our board certified physicians and nurse practitioners, as well as our supporting medical professionals and administrative staff feel deeply honored in providing you with the highest quality of health care and leadership in the Army.

The U.S. Army Medical Department Activity (MEDDAC), Fort Drum has received recognition as a National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) organization, offering a Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) and Soldier Centered Medical Home (SCMH) practice where our patients are the focus of our mission. We serve active duty Soldiers, Retirees, and Family members.

Our newly renovated clinic provides a wide range of primary care services such as Pediatrics, Family Medicine and Internal Medicine, as well as specialty care for Orthopedics, Dermatology, Podiatry, Audiology, Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Behavioral Health. Laboratory and Radiology services are provided onsite and a brand new Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machine became operational in October 2014.

This Patient Handbook is designed to enhance your knowledge regarding the services and care offered as well as how our partnership with the TRICARE network endeavors to optimize your military health care benefits. It also includes our telephone numbers and hours of operation.

Should there be any aspect of our service which does not meet your expectations and would like to provide feedback or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact the Patient Advocate at 315-772-4655/7368. The MEDDAC strives to provide unparalleled service with every patient encounter by caring for our patients as if they were a member of our own family.

Again, welcome to Fort Drum and thank you for choosing the MEDDAC for your healthcare needs. We want to be your first choice in healthcare!

Care enough to make a difference!

Respectfully,
The Fort Drum MEDDAC Commander
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Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic DOES NOT have an emergency room and is not equipped to accept emergency patients. If an emergency occurs, call 911 and ask for assistance.

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**The History of the United States Medical Department—Fort Drum**

**Fort Drum** was created in 1908 as Pine Camp, a 10,000-acre summer Reserve training camp. From 1942 to 1944, a number of buildings were built for housing and training of the 4th Armored Division and the 27th Infantry Division. During this period, a mobilization hospital was constructed in the 2400 area with capacity to house 540 patients. No name is known for this facility. It was common for medical facilities erected as a result of the rapid expansion during World War II to be designated only as the Post Hospital where they were located. Thus, the facility was probably known as the Pine Camp Hospital.

In 1951, Pine Camp was designated as Camp Drum. Certain portions of the hospital continued to be occupied to support the Reserve training mission. The facility was known subsequently as United States Army Health Clinic, Camp Drum, until 1974 when it became United States Army Health Clinic, Fort Drum. It was manned by a skeleton staff of military personnel and a civilian nurse who were augmented by increments of Reserve personnel during Reserve Annual Training. Medical support for Fort Drum was provided at this location until Wilcox Clinic was dedicated in November 1980.

Wilcox Clinic had served the Reserve population at Fort Drum and was expanded to support the 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) in the early years of its activation. It was apparent, however, that plans had to be implemented to provide medical support to the greatly expanding population. Plans progressed to build a Consolidated Troop Medical Clinic and Ambulatory Health Care Clinic. In 1986, Wilcox Clinic became a United States Army Medical Department Activity (USA MEDDAC).

In January 1991, Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic opened its doors. In May of that year, it was dedicated to the memory of Dr. Samuel B. Guthrie (1782-1845) who served as Physician and Surgeon in the U.S. Army from 1812-1817. Today, the Fort Drum MEDDAC supports approximately 38,000 beneficiaries to include the 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) Soldiers and their Families.

During the Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) and the Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO), the MEDDAC has provided medical readiness support to 1st Army units from Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Since GWOT began, the MEDDAC has processed over 165,198 Active Duty, Reserve Component and National Guard Soldiers through the Soldier Readiness Center and cared for over 1,696 injured Soldiers through its Medical Holdover Company. In July 2007, the Medical Holdover Company was replaced by 3rd Battalion, 85th Mountain Infantry Regiment (Warrior Transition Battalion), which was established to assist Wounded Warriors. Since that time, it has cared for over 2,279 wounded, ill and injured Soldiers and their Families.

The MEDDAC was awarded the Army Superior Unit Award and streamer for the period February 1, 2004 - June 1, 2005.
Patient Rights

Quality Care:
Quality care and treatment is consistent with accepted standards and without discrimination. You may seek a second opinion concerning any aspect of your treatment, express your spiritual beliefs and cultural practices and actively participate with healthcare providers in the development of your treatment plan.

Respect:
Respectful and responsive care that includes treatment of symptoms and effective pain management.

Pain Management:
The right to expect your reports of pain will be quickly addressed and appropriate pain management measures will be implemented.

Privacy and Confidentiality:
You are entitled to privacy and confidentiality concerning medical care, and protected health information in accordance with federal and state laws and military regulations. That includes expecting any discussion or consultation about your care to be conducted discreetly and privately. You have the right to expect that your medical record will be read only by people involved in your treatment or the monitoring of its quality and by other individuals only when authorized by you or your legally authorized representative.

Know about who takes care of you:
Know the name and professional credentials of healthcare personnel primarily responsible for your care. Receive information about health plan options, providers, and facilities so you can make informed health care decisions.

An Explanation of Care:
Explanation concerning you/your child’s diagnosis, treatment, procedures, and prognosis of illness in a manner you understand. When it is appropriate, we will provide information to next of kin or a person you designate.

Informed Consent:
Receive information in non-clinical terms necessary to give informed consent prior to the start of any invasive procedure or treatment, except in emergencies. Such information should include, but not be limited to, the specific procedures or treatment, the medically significant complications and/or benefits. You may request information concerning medical alternatives.

Safe Environment:
Care and treatment in a safe environment. Freedom from mental, physical, sexual and verbal abuse, neglect and exploitation while under care. If one of these conditions has been violated, you should report this by speaking with the clinic/department Officer-In-Charge, the Noncommissioned Officer-In-Charge, the Head Nurse, the Patient Advocate, or the Commander.

Refusal of Treatment:
If treatment is refused or the healthcare provider’s instructions are not followed, you are responsible for any outcomes.

Transfer and Continuity of Care:
Expect reasonable continuity of care. Know in advance what appointment times and providers are available and at what location. A transfer to another facility or provider will occur only after explanation of the need for transfer and acceptance by the new provider/facility.

Advance Directives:
Direct the health care team on the extent of care you wish to receive. We will honor any known legal directive provided to us while a patient is being treated in our facilities. If you are unable to participate in healthcare decisions, your legally designated decision maker will participate.

Information about Medical Charges:
Seek assistance/information regarding healthcare expenses from a TRICARE representative.

Voice Issues/Concerns:
Voice concerns regarding your healthcare, without recrimination, to include discussion of ethical issues and have these issues/concerns reviewed and resolved. This can be accomplished by speaking with the clinic/department Officer-In-Charge, the Noncommissioned Officer-In-Charge, the Head Nurse, or the Patient Advocate.

Quality and Safety Concerns:
Patient concerns about quality or safety of care can be communicated to your provider, nurse, or Patient Advocate (315-772-4655).

Patients also have the right to contact The Joint Commission. Joint Commission can be reached by phone at 1-800-994-6610 or by email at complaint@jointcommission.org.

You can also voice your concern in writing by mail at:
Mail: The Joint Commission
One Renaissance Boulevard
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
Patient Responsibilities

Maintain Positive Health Practices: You have the responsibility to develop and maintain positive health practices: good nutrition, sleep and rest, exercise, positive relationships, and stress management.

Provide Information: Provide accurate and complete information about present complaints, past illnesses, hospitalizations, medications, and any other information related to your health. Promptly inform those treating you matters relating to your health, of any changes in your condition or apparent adverse reaction to prescribed care.

Understand Your Treatment: Inform your healthcare provider immediately if you do not understand the recommended course of treatment or procedure and what is expected of you.

Comply with Prescribed Treatment: Comply with your medical treatment plan, to include recommended follow-up care and medications. Report to appointments on time and notify the facility when appointments cannot be kept. You are responsible for keeping appointments, filling prescriptions, following through on healthcare instructions, and adhering to the guidelines of the clinic.

Supervision of Underage Children: There are inherent dangers in leaving children under twelve years of age unsupervised in the waiting areas of the clinic, including injury to the child or other patients. You have the responsibility to arrange adequate childcare for your underage Family members during your medical appointments.

Respect and Consideration: You are responsible for treating our staff and other patients with respect and consideration. You are also responsible for behavior of persons accompanying you. Be respectful of property of other persons and the facility. Conduct yourself in a respectful and proper manner.

Smoking Policy: The Fort Drum MEDDAC is a tobacco free campus.

Late Arrival Policy: In order to provide quality care in a timely manner, we request that you arrive and check in on time. If you check in 10 minutes past your scheduled appointment time, you may be asked to wait until an appointment becomes available, or if the health issue is not urgent, you may be asked to reschedule. We appreciate your cooperation.

Return Medical Records: All medical records are required to be maintained at a Military Treatment Facility (MTF). You are responsible for turning in your medical records to the Medical Record section at Guthrie Clinic for continuity of care. Upon arrival or during in-processing, check in with the medical records staff for further guidance to request your medical records from your previous medical treatment facility. All medical records documenting care provided are property of the U.S. Government.

Pay and Medical Charges: Ensure that financial obligations associated with your healthcare are fulfilled as promptly as possible.

Provide Patient Comments: Assist the MEDDAC’s Commander with providing the best possible care to all beneficiaries. Recommendations, questions, complaints and/or compliments should be submitted to the Patient Advocate, Commander’s Box, ICE, or APLSS.

HIPAA

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

The TRICARE Management Activity (TMA) Privacy and Civil Liberties Office (Privacy Office) manages a comprehensive privacy and security program that ensures compliance with the HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164.


As set forth by DoD 6025.18-R, the Privacy Office supports the protection of beneficiary health information and HIPAA Privacy Rule compliance by all MHS business processes, procedures, and systems that solicit, collect, maintain, access, use, disclose, and dispose of protected health information (PHI).

Concurrently, through its HIPAA security program, as set forth by DoD 8580.02-R, the Privacy Office supports the protection of the confidentiality, integrity and availability of electronic PHI against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards, including implementation of reasonable administrative, physical, and technical safeguards by MHS covered entities under HIPAA.

On August 30, 2012, TMA’s Deputy Director issued the updated TMA HIPAA Privacy and Security Core Tenets Policy Statement. This Policy Statement establishes and details the core tenets of the HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules at TMA for the use, disclosure, and protection of PHI, and confirms the responsibility and authority of the Director, TMA Privacy Office, as the TMA HIPAA Privacy and HIPAA Security Officer. TMA’s HIPAA Privacy and Security Core Tenets Policy Statement is available here [PDF].

Please note that the Privacy Office does not provide information on the Transactions, Code Sets and Identifiers requirements of HIPAA’s Administrative Simplification provisions. For these types of inquiries, please contact the TMA HIPAA Electronic Transactions, Code Sets and Identifiers Team at HIPAATSCI-Mail@tma.osd.mil or refer to their website at http://www.tricare.mil/tna/hipaa.
Quality Management

Quality management is based on the philosophy that a healthcare system’s goal is to provide safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient, and equitable healthcare services. The Quality Management Department is committed to ongoing measurements of quality and continuous performance improvement of the system of health for beneficiaries. The performance improvement process focuses on all activities in the organization to include clinical, administrative, and ancillary support. Quality management encompasses various programs within the MEDDAC: Credentials, Continuous Survey Readiness (Joint Commission), Infection Control, Patient Safety, Performance Improvement, and Risk Management.

The Joint Commission (JC):
Our MEDDAC receives its accreditation from the Joint Commission, an independent, not-for-profit organization. The Joint Commission accredits and certifies more than 18,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. Joint Commission accreditation and certification is recognized nationwide as a symbol of quality that reflects an organization’s commitment to meeting certain performance standards.

JC Mission:
To continuously improve health care for the public, in collaboration with other stakeholders, by evaluating health care organizations and inspiring them to excel in providing safe and effective care of the highest quality and value.

JC Vision Statement:
All people always experience the safest, highest quality, best-value health care across all settings. Using the Joint Commission Standards for Ambulatory Care as our guide, our MEDDAC has created 13 multidisciplinary teams and committees; team leaders have been appointed by the Commander to promote JC awareness, improve compliance with hundreds of JC standards, maintain a continuous state of readiness for a successful on-site JC survey, and help create an environment that ensures safe, quality care for our patients.

• The Joint Commission’s standards address the ambulatory care organization’s performance in specific areas, and specify requirements to ensure that patient care is provided in a safe manner.
• The Joint Commission develops its standards in consultation with health care experts, providers and researchers, as well as purchasers and consumers.
• The Joint Commission’s accreditation process concentrates on operational systems critical to the safety and quality of patient care.
• To earn and maintain accreditation, an ambulatory care organization must undergo an on-site survey by a Joint Commission survey team every three years.
• The objective of the survey is not only to evaluate the organization, but to provide education and guidance that will help staff continue to improve the organization’s performance.
National Patient Safety Goals

In order to provide safe healthcare to our patients, staff adhere to the following National Patient Safety Goals:

Improve the Accuracy of Patient Identification:
- Use at least 2 patient identifiers whenever providing care, treatment or services. Identifiers are:
  - Patient name
  - Patient date of birth
- Label containers used for laboratory specimens in the presence of the patient.

Improve the Safety of Medication Use:
- Label all medications, medication containers, and other solutions on and off the sterile field in peri-operative and other procedural settings. Note: Medication containers include syringes, medicine cups, and basins.
- Reduce the likelihood of patient harm associated with the use of anticoagulation therapy.

Reduce the Risk of Health Care-acquired Infections:
- Comply with current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) hand-hygiene guidelines.
- Maintain an evidence-based practice for preventing surgical site infections.

Accurately and Completely Reconcile Medications Across the Continuum of Care:
- There is a process in place for comparing the patient’s current medications with those ordered for the patient while under the care of the organization.
- When a patient is referred or transferred to another organization, the patient’s complete and reconciled list of medications is communicated to the next provider and the communication is documented.
- When a patient leaves the organization’s care, a complete and reconciled list of the patient’s medications is provided and explained to the patient.

Identify Individuals at Risk for Suicide:
- Conduct a risk assessment that identifies specific characteristics of the individual and environmental features that may increase or decrease the risk of suicide.
- Address the immediate safety needs and most appropriate setting for treatment of the patient.
- When a patient at risk for suicide leaves the organization, provide suicide prevention information (such as a crisis hotline) to the patient and their family.

Universal Protocol: The Universal Protocol applies to all surgical and nonsurgical invasive procedures.
- Conduct a pre-operative verification process.
- Mark the operative site as described in the Universal Protocol.
- A Time-Out is performed immediately prior to the start of procedure.

PATIENT SAFETY:
“Speak Up” to improve the quality of your healthcare.

S peak up if you have questions or concerns.
P ay attention to the care you are receiving.
E ducate yourself about your diagnosis, medical tests and treatment plan.
A sk a Family member or friend to be your advocate.
K now what medications you take and why you take them.

U se a health care organization that is certified by The Joint Commission.
P articipate in all decisions about your treatment.

Visitor Guidelines

Supervision of Underage Children
There are inherent dangers in leaving children under twelve years of age unsupervised in the waiting areas of the clinic, including injury to the child or other patients. You have the responsibility to arrange adequate childcare for your underage family members during your medical appointments.

Late Arrival Policy
In order to provide quality care in a timely manner, we request that you arrive and check in on time. If you check in 10 minutes past your scheduled appointment time, you may be asked to wait until an appointment becomes available, or if the health issue is not urgent, you may be asked to reschedule. We appreciate your cooperation.
Access to Care Standards:

Our goal is to ensure all beneficiaries who use the Department of Defense (DoD) Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs) receive timely medical care when needed. The Army Surgeon General’s initiative to better serve patients through Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) is directed towards performing “Today’s work today.” Priority scheduling will be conducted through your Care Team. When possible, we make every effort to maintain open appointments to assist all patients within a reasonable time.

TRICARE’s standards for access are:
- 7 days for routine appointment
- 24 hours or less for acute and non-emergency visits
- 28 days for all specialty care appointments

TRICARE’s standards for access to Behavioral Health Care:
- 24 hours for urgent care
- 7 days for routine appointment or care
- 28 days for specialty care appointments

In an emergency, TRICARE beneficiaries should call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room.

Eligibility:

Eligibility for health care is checked through the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). All sponsors should ensure their Family members are enrolled in DEERS. Initial registration and any necessary updating of information such as change of address, phone number, or duty station, should be done at Clark Hall Military Personnel Office, Bldg. P10720 Mount Belvedere Blvd, Room A1-19. Hours of Operation: 7:45 a.m. –3:45 p.m. Monday through Friday, open till 6 p.m. on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. Sponsors and Family members who may have questions regarding their benefits or DEERS enrollment can contact the DEERS Beneficiary Telephone Center Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., at 1-800-538-9552 or www.dmde.osd.mil/milconnect.

A valid Uniformed Services Identification and Privilege Card is issued by DoD to verify eligibility for care at military medical facilities worldwide. You will be asked to present this card (DD Form 2A or DD Form 1173) when you visit any DoD patient care facility or pharmacy.

Children under 10 years old are treated without an ID card. The parent’s ID card is sufficient evidence of their eligibility. If you do not bring your ID card on the day of your appointment or visit, please go to the Outpatient Records Desk to verify if you are eligible to receive care.

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Health Care for Soldiers:

Soldiers newly arriving at Fort Drum will medically in-process through the Soldier Readiness Center (SRC) located at 10720 Mount Belvedere Blvd, inside the Clark Hall Building. For assistance call (315) 772-2656. For sick call, Active Duty Soldiers located at Fort Drum will be seen within their Battalion Aid Stations.

For routine, non-emergency issues, all active duty Soldiers can call the appointment line at 315-772-2778 to schedule the next available appointment with their assigned Primary Care Manager. Active duty physical examinations are coordinated with the Conner Troop Medical Clinic (CTMC) Physical Exam Office located at the corner of South Riva Ridge Loop and Euphrates River Drive. For assistance with physical exams, please call (315)774-1117. Active Duty Optometry services are also located on the CTMC footprint and appointments can be made by calling (315) 772-2234.

Health Care for Non-Active Duty Prime Enrollees:

Family Members of Active Duty (ADFM), Retirees and their Family Members, and other eligible TRICARE Prime beneficiaries are assigned a PCM. Your PCM may be located either at the Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic or a civilian network provider's office.

Housed within Guthrie Clinic are the Primary Care Clinic Homes and several specialty care clinics. The Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic is located at 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd. Please call (315) 772-2778 for appointments. Appointments can also be made using TRICARE Online, www.tricareonline.com

Healthcare for Children:

The Primary Care Clinic provides health care for children from birth to 17 years of age. Children receive comprehensive examinations and immunizations during well-baby and well-child visits. School immunizations and sports physicals are performed for school-age children. Parents should contact the school to see if there are any specific requirements. Please bring all shot records to these appointments. Please call (315) 772-2778 for appointments. Children with special needs or requiring respite care are enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) located at Guthrie Ambulatory Health Clinic. To Speak with EFMP staff, please call (315) 772-4653.

Women’s Health Care:

The Fort Drum Obstetrics and Gynecology Clinic (OB/GYN) has multiple services dedicated to supporting women in all phases of their life. The obstetrical services include low and high risk patients. If you think you are pregnant or have a positive home pregnancy test, please call (315) 772-2778 to make an appointment with your PCM for a referral to the Fort Drum OB/GYN Clinic.
OB/GYN Clinic appointments are by referral only from your PCM and they include pregnancy care, lactation services, well-woman exams, abnormal Pap Smear clinic and surgical gynecology services. Fort Drum OB/GYN Clinic is located off-post at 826 Washington Street, Suite 202, Watertown, NY. The office is adjacent to Samaritan Medical Center. For more information or directions, please call (315)785-4624.

Community Preventive Health Care:
Services and programs available through the Preventive Medicine Department include: Climb to Fitness (AD); Weigh to Stay (AD); Tobacco Cessation (AD & ADFM); and Maternal-Child Health Program (AD & ADFM). For more information, please call Army Public Health Nursing at (315)772-6404.

To cancel an appointment: You can cancel a scheduled appointment by calling the appointment line 24-hours a day, 7 days a week. Please leave a detailed message which includes: your name and last four of your sponsor’s social security number, also include the date, time, and location of the appointment you wish to cancel, and a valid contact number in which to reach you with any questions.

To cancel an appointment, please call (315)772-2778 and follow the prompts. Fort Drum MEDDAC strives to offer our patients the best access, so when possible, we ask that you try and cancel your appointment at least 24 hours in advance.

Secure Messaging:
You can now communicate with your Primary Care Team online using AMSMS provided by Relay Health. Simply register at: https://app.relayhealth.com/Registration.aspx. Once registered a face-to-face contact with any member of your PCM home team is required to complete the process or you may choose to wait until your next visit to our clinic and register in one simple step with one of our helpful clerks. You’ll find the messaging service organized and easy to use. Please allow up to 3 business days for all patient communications.

AMSMS IS NOT FOR URGENT OR EMERGENT MATTERS, RESPONSE WILL NOT BE IMMEDIATE.

TRICARE Online:
The MEDDAC is proud to offer our patients access to their Primary Care Providers appointments 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

With TRICARE Online (TOL), you no longer have to wake up early or wait on hold for an agent, you can make, cancel, and reschedule Primary Care appointments, check lab results and even order your pharmacy refills using TOL.

TOL links you and your family to healthcare services, resources, and information through a secure internet environment. TOL provides a list of acute, routine, and wellness appointments with your PCM. The TOL website is: www.tricareonline.com.

Registration is required and the simple process allows you access in minutes.

After Hours Care & Medical Emergencies:
If you have a medical emergency dial 911 or go to the nearest Emergency Room (ER); beneficiaries do not need a referral for emergency services performed at an ER. Any medical services performed at an Urgent Care Clinic/Center (UCC) will require a referral from your PCM.

TRICARE beneficiaries can now access the Nurse Advice Line (NAL) by calling (315) 772-2778 and selecting option 3. The NAL is a team of registered nurses who can offer home care advice about immediate health care concerns. The NAL is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For pediatric issues, the NAL will route the beneficiary to a pediatric nurse.

If a follow-up is necessary or requested, the NAL will call the beneficiary back to check the patient’s status a few hours later. The NAL will make same-day appointments with the beneficiary’s PCM or PCM home team for TRICARE Prime beneficiaries who are enrolled to Guthrie or a military treatment facility. If a same-day appointment is not available, the NAL will direct the beneficiary to the closest UCC and advise the PCM that an urgent care referral is needed so the patient does not have to worry about accruing the cost of the UCC visit.

APLSS:
The Army Provider Level Satisfaction Survey is a survey program administered by the Office of the U.S Army Surgeon General. Patients are randomly selected within 48 hours after their visit with their provider. Our goal is to achieve and maintain a 95% or higher overall visit satisfaction rate. APLSS is designed to give our healthcare providers and Military Treatment Facility leadership the “timely” and “actionable” feedback they need to improve the quality of care we give our soldiers and their families.

Patient information is not included so your identity remains completely confidential. This survey takes about five minutes to fill out, once the survey is received it will be reviewed an analyzed to determine what is important to you and your family.

When a survey is returned it equals money that we can use to improve areas such as more available appointments, which mean more staff to fulfill those appointments. Upgrade amenities, and expand services adding more services that will better take care of our patients on a daily basis.
Patient Centered Medical Home

**PCMH Mission**

The Guthrie PCMH is dedicated to the Fort Drum, NY community, contributing to their health and well-being by providing the best care to every patient through integrated clinical practice, patient education, and comprehensive care within the PCMH model.

**Vision**

Be the number one healthcare choice for our patients by providing the highest level of care to handle all of our customers' needs through a coordinated and well-balanced cohesive team.

The PCMH is a team-based model built around the premise that the best health care begins with a strong primary care foundation. PCMH improves the care our patients receive by offering enhanced access to care and increased Primary Care Manager continuity, and by promoting patient- and family-centered evidence-based health care.

Patient Centered Medical Homes allow providers and patients to take a more proactive approach to health care, with a stronger focus on prevention. The medical home can reduce the percentage of specialty referrals and result in a PCMH team providing the needed care in one visit. The Patient Centered Medical Home model allows for better coordination of care and improved communication among team members and beneficiaries, while placing emphasis on preventive care and chronic care management, and empowering patients to participate in their care plan.

**How Do I Get Care?**

There are multiple ways to receive care in the way that works best for you.

We have learned from our experience and listening to you, that both face-to-face and non-face-to-face encounters (virtual care) are needed.

Although some medical needs require an appointment, many things can be more conveniently coordinated using technology.

**Face to face appointments**

You can schedule an appointment for a same day issue or in the future with your PCM. Although we want to maximize your appointments with your PCM, if you need to be seen during a time when your provider isn't available, we'll get you in to see one of the providers on your team.

**Army Medicine Secure Messaging Service (AMSMS)**

AMSMS allows you to directly contact your team through the web. Through this service, patients can initiate a web visit consultation, receive preventive care reminders, send a note to the provider’s office, request test results, and ask for prescription renewals. See your Medical Home team to get enrolled in secure messaging.

**Tricare Online**

Tricare Online Allows you to schedule an appointment, review laboratory results, and view health education material.
Primary Care Clinic

**Hours:** Monday- Friday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
1st and 3rd Wednesday: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays
**Location:** Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic, 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd., Patient-Centered Medical Home (Gold, White, Blue, and Red)
**Appointments:** Appointments are required, call 315-772-2778. Walk-ins based on Triage

The staff of the Primary Care Clinic recognizes the individuality of the patient and uniqueness of each case. We believe we should provide comprehensive quality medical care with particular emphasis of the family unit.

It is the goal of the Primary Care Clinic to provide assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of physical or psychosocial problems, to promote quality patient care through integration of scientific medical principles, to include the patient and the family in planning and implementation of the patient’s care.

The Primary Care Clinic provides comprehensive medical care to all eligible health care beneficiaries. Priority is given to active duty Soldiers and TRICARE Prime enrollees. Authorized medical care shall include, but is not limited to, acute and chronic care of pediatric and adult patients, physical examinations, health-related career screening and immunizations, nonoperative gynecological diagnosis and treatment, minor surgical procedures and surgical follow-up and newborn care.

**Well Women Clinic:**
Since we know many of our patients are busy throughout the work week, we are proud to announce that we have established a Well Women clinic on the last Saturday of each month from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. for your convenience. To make an appointment, talk with your provider or call the appointment line at 772-2778 to schedule your visit.

**Sports and School Physicals:**
We know that with spring and summer it is time again for your kids to have sports and school physicals renewed. Starting in May through August we will be offering you opportunity to bring you kids in on Thursday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. to have these completed. We will also be offering a Saturday Clinic in conjunction with our Well Women clinic on the last Saturday from May – September. To schedule an appointment, please talk with your provider of call the appointment line at 772-2778.

The Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) is a program designed to assist Active Duty personnel and their Families with Exceptional Family Members who have special physical, emotional, developmental, or intellectual needs. As of 5 June 1990, enrollment in EFMP is mandatory for all Soldiers who have Family members with chronic medical or educational needs. This benefits the entire Family by allowing accurate assessments of career and Family needs during assignment decisions. All sponsors enrolled in EFMP are still subject to worldwide assignments. EFMP works with other military and civilian agencies to provide comprehensive and coordinated community support, educational, housing, personnel, and medical services to Families with special needs. This office will assist Soldiers and their Families with the completion of the enrollment process.

If there are dual military Families, both Soldiers must enroll. Enrollment is based on medical and educational requirements of Family Members of Active Duty personnel. Enrollment updates are required every three years or when the condition changes.

Clinical Pharmacy Services

**Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays
**Phone:** 315-772-5643
**Location:** Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic, Primary Care Clinic Homes (Gold, White, Blue, and Red)
**Appointments:** Appointments are required, by referral.

Managing multiple medications and chronic diseases (i.e.: Diabetes, High Blood Pressure, and High Cholesterol) can seem tough, but it doesn’t have to be. A Clinical Pharmacist can guide you on the path to reducing risk of complications from chronic disease and help achieve therapy goals.

Clinical Pharmacists can also instruct on the use of herbal, vitamin and mineral supplements with over-the-counter and prescription medications to help manage and streamline medication therapy. Clinical Pharmacists enroll in a six year pharmaceutical degree program and must pass a license and law exam to obtain a doctorate in pharmacy. They must also obtain and maintain continuing education credits to practice as a Clinical Pharmacist. Additionally, many pharmacists have obtained supplementary training and may even be board certified in Ambulatory Care Pharmacy.

**What are the benefits of working with a Clinical Pharmacist?**
A Clinical Pharmacist will assist you by:
1) Providing the highest level of clinical pharmacy services with personalized medication therapy management;
2) Supporting management of chronic diseases such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease, high cholesterol and high blood pressure;
3) Providing medication reconciliation including a comprehensive printed medication list.
4) Assisting patients who are having difficulty meeting diabetes, blood pressure and cholesterol goals by providing additional education and medication management.

**Exceptional Family Member Program**

**Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Closed for lunch daily noon - 1 p.m.
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays
**Phone:** 315-772-4653
**Location:** Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic, 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
**Appointments:** Appointments are required, call 315-772-4653/3540/4913.
The goal of pain management is to relieve the physical and psychosocial symptoms associated with pain while maintaining the patient's level of function, promoting optimal recovery and healing. To this end, the Command has made the relief of pain a priority for the organization. Please speak to your PCM for more information about pain management.

Fort Drum's Interdisciplinary Pain Management Clinic (IPMC) is a functional arm of the Army Pain Management Program. Based on the Step Pain Care Model, the IPMC is in place to empower primary care providers (PCP) to provide prompt and appropriate treatment for painful conditions. The IPMC is available to PCPs via multiple avenues to provide tools to support the best practices for the continuum of acute and chronic pain, based on a foundation of best available evidence.

The core of the IMPC is the Primary Care Advisor (a Family Physician), Clinical Pharmacist, and Nurse Care Coordinator. At each Primary Care Site, a Primary Care Pain Champion (PCPC) has been designated. If a PCP encounters a patient with a challenging pain condition, we recommend they first approach the PCPC in their clinic for assistance. Alternatively, the above IPMC staff may be accessed via face-to-face, telephonic, or electronic methods for questions or advice.

Some patients requiring advanced pain management may be suitable for the complementary services offered at the IPMC. Currently we offer a comprehensive complementary functional restoration program to include movement therapy, medical massage therapy, chiropractic care, and behavior psychology. We also offer assistance with poly-pharmacy and opioid overuse and dependence with a full time clinical pharmacist on staff. This program has the ability to offer relief to a variety of musculoskeletal pain syndromes.

The IPMC is not a substitute for the execution of a conservative pain management plan as would be expected from a Primary Care Provider. In order to expedite the appropriate care for the patient, it is imperative that the PCP arrive at an accurate diagnosis and assure that the patient does not have a surgical or neurologically compromising condition.

A provider’s order is necessary for anyone other than active duty personnel (PPD is an exception). All children less than 5 years old must be seen by a health care provider prior to prevent counteraction from a previous vaccination.

Certain immunizations are given on specific days of the month; i.e., yellow fever. Flu shots are available during the fall season, with special times and days announced annually to facilitate this program. Personnel relocating to another installation or assignment should check with the Allergy and Immunization Clinic to determine if special requirements apply for their next duty station. If you have questions about immunizations, please call the Clinic directly.

The goal of the Dermatology Clinic is to provide assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of the full spectrum of dermatologic disease; to promote quality patient care through integration of scientific medical principles; to include the patient in planning and implementation of the patient’s care; to provide useful feedback and education to referring providers; and to maintain compliance with military and civilian regulatory agencies.

Procedures performed:
- Full body examination for skin cancer evaluation (Basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell cancer, and melanoma)
- Diagnose and treat dermatologic conditions in adults
- Diagnose and treat dermatologic conditions in pediatric patients
- Prescribe medications within scope of practice.
- Diagnostic Biopsy
- Minor excisions of skin or subcutaneous lesions
- Complex repair of excisions with flap or graft
- Manage post-operative complications (treatment of hemorrhage, hematoma evacuation, dehiscence repair)
- Incision and drainage of cyst or abscess
- Intraleisional and intramuscular steroid injection
- Cryotherapy (The use of focused extreme low temperature treatment (or “freezing”) to remove and cease the growth of, undesirable, small portions of tissue.
- Electrodessication, electrofulguration, electrocoagulation (The use of a focused high frequency electrical current to remove or cauterize a small portion of tissue. Used to treat or remove various cancerous or benign tissues, and to control bleeding of blood vessels)
- Curettage (The use of a curette, a small circular scalpel, to scrap or scoop away undesirable tissue)
- Chemical Peels for actinic damage (superficial)
- Nail avulsion (partial and total)
- Biopsy of nail matrix and nail bed
- Collect specimen for gram-stain,
- KOH (The chemical used, in conjunction with a tissue sample, in order to test for potential fungal infections), or scabies prep
- Collect specimen for direct immunofluorescence (The process by which a tissue sample is impregnated with a dye that reacts to only particular types of cells in the tissue)
- Collect specimen for leishmaniasis evaluation
- Botox injection for hyperhidrosis

**Procedures the clinic will not perform:**
- Laser resurfacing (e.g., for acne scarring)
- Dermabrasion
- Tattoo removal
- Cosmetic Botox
- Cosmetic fillers
- Liposuction
- Laser removal of birth marks
- Sclerotherapy with STS
- Removal of lesions for cosmetic purposes
- Topical treatment

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**Nurse Advice Line**

**Have Medical Questions? Call the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line.**

To access the NAL, once it launches, dial 1-800-TRICARE (874-2273); Option 1.

Sometimes it is difficult to know if and when to seek medical help for acute health problems, so having professional help at a moment’s notice is invaluable. The Military Health System’s (MHS) new Nurse Advice Line (NAL) for TRICARE beneficiaries does just that. Call the NAL toll-free twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

The NAL is a team of registered nurses who are available to answer a variety of urgent healthcare questions. They can help you decide whether self-care is the best option, or if it is better to see a healthcare provider. There will always be a live-person on the line to address beneficiary concerns.

The NAL offers a variety of solutions for all TRICARE beneficiaries. For pediatric issues, the NAL will route the beneficiary to a pediatric nurse. If follow-up is necessary or requested, the NAL will call the beneficiary back to check the child’s status a few hours later.

The NAL will make same-day appointments with the beneficiary’s primary care manager (PCM) for TRICARE Prime beneficiaries who are enrolled to Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs). If a same day appointment is not available, the NAL will re-direct the beneficiary to the closest urgent care center, and advise the PCM that an urgent care referral is needed so the patient does not have to worry about paying any point of service co-pays.

All other TRICARE beneficiaries who are not enrolled to a MTF will receive professional health advice about their urgent health concern and when to seek urgent care.

When calling the NAL, a customer service representative will verify the beneficiary’s eligibility through the Defense Enrollment and Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). Beneficiaries with an acute health care concern or question will be connected with a registered nurse that will ask the beneficiary a series of very standard questions to determine the next steps and allow the NAL nurse to provide the best advice possible.

Beneficiaries can still call their PCM or clinic, but the NAL is another option for beneficiaries to access the care they need and want in a timely fashion.

To access the NAL, once it launches, dial 1-800-TRICARE (874-2273); Option 1.
Clinical Laboratory Science deals with the performance of laboratory analyses used in the diagnosis and treatment of disease, and in the maintenance of health. Medical laboratory personnel are responsible for the performance of these tests. Our facility has a staff of certified professionals working in the areas of Reception (phlebotomy area), Chemistry, Hematology, Microbiology, Blood Bank, and Shipping Department.

The goal of the Laboratory Service Section is to ensure the medical readiness of our forces and facilitate the total health care of our beneficiaries through a customer-focused commitment to quality care. We provide laboratory services that set the standard for medical readiness, integrated health care, and service member and family support. We treat our customers and ourselves with dignity and respect, courtesy and compassion, honor and integrity. We are "Committed To Those We Serve."

Laboratory Policies
• Patients requiring lab services MUST have proper identification with them. Accurate patient identification is required (patient identifiers are NAME and DOB).
• Patients requesting information regarding laboratory results or other confidential lab information will be referred to their Health Care Provider, Clinic or Patient Administration Division (PAD). Confidential laboratory information will not be given out due to established policies, regulations and mandates by law. (Please notify your Health Care Provider if you have any questions).
• Outside civilian providers (providers whose office is not within the premises of a military treatment facility) receive laboratory tests results via mail and/or fax.
• Patients should ensure that your Health Care Provider places your order into the computer.
• All specimens must be submitted in properly labeled container with patient's name, date of birth, last 4 of SSN, Family Member Prefix and date.
• Lab cannot accept used needles. Please contact the Pharmacy for proper disposal procedures. Pharmacy Questions: 315-772-4036
• For safety reasons, no children are allowed in the phlebotomy room except those children whose blood is to be drawn. Parents/guardians are responsible for the safety of minors while in the facility.

Appointments
• Glucose Tolerance Tests (more than 1 hour) are the only tests required to have an appointment. Call 315-772-5381 for an appointment. Your provider may request a special diet to be taken prior to the test.
• Appointments are not necessary for one-hour glucose tests.
• Fasting means no food or drink for 10-12 hours prior to having your blood drawn. It is OKAY to drink ONLY WATER while fasting.

Test Information
• 24-hour Urine Tests: Come to the Laboratory to receive your container and instructions for collecting.
• The Laboratory performs sperm counts on semen collected after a patient has had a vasectomy if requested by the Health Care Provider.
• If your doctor has ordered a semen analysis, you must go to the Samaritan Medical Center Laboratory. Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic Laboratory personnel can give you instructions on collection, but they do not perform this type of test in its facility.
• Pregnancy Test: If you believe you are pregnant please see your Health Care Provider to have a pregnancy test ordered.
• For instructions on tests that have certain requirements before collection, please check with your Health Care Provider or call our Reception Desk at 315-772-5381 for instructions. You may also stop by the lab for information/instruction sheets.
Department of Radiological Services

Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic
Hours: Mon-Fri: 7 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.
Location: 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
Closed: Weekends and Federal Holidays
Phone: 315-772-6094/5383
Appointments: No appointment required for Diagnostic x-ray Ultrasound and MRI require appointments. All exams require a referral.

Troop Medical Clinic 2
Hours: Mon-Fri: 7:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Location: 10020 Euphrates River Valley Rd.
Closed: Weekends and Federal Holidays
Phone: 315-772-2778
Appointments: No appointment necessary, walk in with physician referral.

Services Offered: Radiology provides routine diagnostic x-ray, ultrasound, and MRI examinations. All exams are interpreted by a radiologist with a written report sent to the referring practitioner.

Optometry Clinic

Hours: Monday-Friday: 0645 to 1530. Closed 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays every month from 1430 to 1530 for training.
Closed: Lunch 1130 to 1230, Weekends and Holidays
Phone: 315-772-2234/Fax: 315-772-0700
Location: Intersection of Euphrates River and S Riva Ridge Blvd., Bldg P-10501
Appointments: Yes, however limited walk-in services provided

The mission of the Optometry Service is to conserve and enhance the fighting strength in the realm of vision care by providing the highest quality optometric care to eligible patients within the constraints of available personnel, equipment, and facilities. The clinic is a non-referral outpatient oriented service and provides a primary entry point into the health care system. Eligible patients are active duty personnel of the uniformed services only.

Services Provided:
Eye Examinations: Provided on an appointment basis for Active Duty personnel only. All other TRICARE Prime enrollees and non-enrolled beneficiaries will be seen in the Civilian Network. Eye examinations include a complete assessment of the health of the visual system, dilation and determination of spectacle prescription.

Contact Lens: Services are limited to prescription updates for patients who currently successfully wear contact lenses, who have the lenses for assessment of proper fit, and who have contact lens prescription information to identify all necessary lens parameters. Patients should bring in their last contact lens prescription or the contact lens’ boxes/vials. Initial fits and contact lens insertion and removal training are not offered at this clinic.

Pregnant or potentially individuals should alert their referring practitioner.
*Children under the age of 10 cannot be left unattended in waiting areas. If an accompanying guardian requires an exam, for their safety, children cannot enter the examination rooms. Day care issues must be addressed prior to reporting to Radiology. *

Military Spectacles: Fitted, ordered, adjusted, and repaired for Active Duty and retired service members. Retired service members having a current spectacle prescription (less than 1 year old) from a civilian eye doctor may order military spectacles by bringing the prescription to the Optometry Clinic during normal hours. Referrals/appointments are not required.

Vision Readiness Screening: All U.S. Army Soldiers are required to complete an annual vision readiness screening. A vision readiness screening can be conducted by the Soldier’s unit or can be completed through the annual PHA. Soldiers are required to bring all current military eyewear (glasses and protective mask inserts) to the screening. Soldiers should not be wearing contact lenses at the vision screening. This is not a comprehensive eye exam and those determined to have deficient vision and spectacles (classified a 3 or 4) are required to schedule a routine optometry appointment. Question on MEDPROS updates can be directed to Physical Exams.

Refractive Surgery Program: For information go to the Guthrie Ambulatory Heath Clinic website at: www.drum.amedd.army.mil under the Clinical Services column, Conner Troop Medical Clinic, Optometry tab, then scroll to and click on Warfighter Refractive Surgery Program Information. This site will explain all current policies and procedures concerning program procedures here at Fort Drum. Those Active Duty Soldiers interested in requesting refractive surgery must schedule a routine appointment with Fort Drum Optometry. Active Duty Soldiers who wear soft contact lenses must remove contact lenses and discontinue wear 30 days prior to refractive surgery appointment.
A variety of behavioral health services are available for Active Duty Service Members, including: individual and group therapy; psychiatric evaluation and treatment, command-directed behavioral health evaluations, psychological assessment, an intensive outpatient program, and tele-behavioral health. The appropriate treatment will be decided by the provider and patient at the conclusion of the initial comprehensive assessment. The treatment plan will be tailored to meet the patient’s need and will change as the needs of the patient change.

All services are provided by Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Psychologists, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners, and Psychiatrists. All Clinicians receive advanced training to assist patients with the management of stressors interfering with their ability to function at work or in interpersonal relationships. Referrals to other military or civilian resources are coordinated as needed or when services are unavailable through this office.

SERVICES OFFERED: A variety of clinical services, to include Child/Family/Marital and Individual Therapy, are available for Service Members, Family Dependents and Retirees who are Tricare beneficiaries. Our mission is to provide services to support readiness of Soldiers and their Families to promote self-reliance, resiliency, and stability. The Department consists of: Family Advocacy Program (FAP) and Child, Adolescent, and Family Behavioral Health Services. Various therapeutic approaches are used to include cognitive behavioral therapy, insight-oriented therapy, play therapy, marital therapy, evidence based therapy and other alternative therapies jointly agreed upon between therapist and patients.

All services are provided by credentialed/privileged providers who are actively licensed as: Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists, Psychologists, and Psychiatrists. Currently adult Psychiatric consultation, individual therapy and medication management are available for appropriate clients through the use of telemedicine. All of these services are designed to help resolve personal and interpersonal conflicts and to deal with stresses which interfere with a person’s ability to function and their well-being. Referrals of patients to appropriate military or civilian resources are coordinated as needed or when services are unavailable through this office.

The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) clinic provides clinical assessment, treatment, and case management services to Soldiers and Family members involved in incidents of partner or child abuse/ neglect. The FAP clinic mission is to mitigate safety risks and to assist the Family with restoring an adaptive level of functioning. FAP utilizes various treatment modalities to include individual therapy, marital therapy, and family counseling using evidence based therapeutic models. The FAP clinic also offers group therapy in the Men’s Domestic Violence Group; Women’s Group; Anger/Emotional Intelligence Group; and Parenting Group. The FAP clinic works in partnership with Army Community Service to obtain Victim Advocacy Services, assistance with transitional compensation, respite services, and education workshops for eligible patients. FAP also provides advice and support to command teams and Soldiers as requested.

SERVICES OFFERED A variety of clinical services, to counseling, groups, case management, safety planning, and command consultation. Treatment modalities include Child/Family/ Marital and Individual Therapy, are available for Service Members, Family Dependents and Retirees who are Tricare beneficiaries. Services are provided by credentialed/privileged Licensed Clinical Social Workers. Referrals of patients to appropriate military or civilian resources will be coordinated as needed.
Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP)

**Hours**: Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Closed**: Weekends and Federal Holidays

**PHONE**: (315)772-3301/6704

**Location**: 10250, 4th Armored Div. Drive

**Appointments**: Walk-in services are offered daily. Service members may call 315-772-3301/6704 to schedule a routine appointment.

**SERVICES OFFERED**: The Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP) Community Counseling Center is a short-term program that provides on an outpatient basis, screening and evaluations, education, counseling, case management, intervention and referral services to individuals identified as alcohol and other drug abusers.

Active duty military personnel are our primary customer. Referral services are available for retirees, Family members of Active Duty and retirees through TRICARE. Civilian employees are referred to the Fort Drum ASAP Employee Assistance Program Coordinator. Fort Drum ASAP also provides Prevention Education, Drug Testing, Risk Reduction and the Suicide Prevention Program Management. Fort Drum ASAP offers three levels of treatment based on the “American Society of Addiction Medicine Adult Patient Placement Criteria” (ASAM A-PPC): Level 0.5 (Early Intervention 12 hours prevention education and/or four group counseling sessions), Level 1 (90-days, Outpatient Program, 1.5 hours group counseling weekly and individual counseling as needed) and referral to Level 2.5 (21 or 28 day Partial Hospital Program with weekly follow-up counseling in a Relapse Prevention group for 11 months).

ASAP services for Family members and other Civilians are provided through the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). Contact the EAP at (315)772-2597 for more information.

Traumatic Brain Injury Clinic

**Hours**: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thursday & Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Closed**: Weekends and Federal Holidays; In the event of an emergency (after duty hours) escort patient to the nearest Emergency Room or call 911.

**Phone**: 315-772-8639

**Location**: Soldier Specialty Care Clinic, 11050 Mt. belvedere Blvd.

**Appointments**: The TBI Clinic accepts referrals and walk-ins.

**MISSION**: The Traumatic Brain Injury Clinic provides comprehensive multidisciplinary strategies in a design to facilitate the rehabilitation and reintegration of Service Members, Retirees and Dependents (ages 13 and older) who have suffered a mild traumatic brain injury (concussion).

People who have experienced a TBI typically suffer from a combination of symptoms to include: chronic headaches, sleep disturbances, memory, and cognitive problems, anxiety, depression, PTSD, family, and work issues as well as musculoskeletal injuries.

The philosophy of the team is focused on the integration of therapeutic strategies within a program providing an atmosphere of understanding, education and purpose.

**SERVICES AVAILABLE**:

- Medical Director/TBI Provider
- Neurologist
- TBI Intake Nurse Screeners
- TBI Nurse Case Manager
- Neuropsychologist
- Psychometrist
- Psychologist
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker
- Speech Language Pathologist
- Occupational Therapist & Certified Occupational Therapy Assistants
- Physical Therapist & Physical Therapy Assistant
Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology

Hours:
Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Third Wednesday of the month we close at 1330/Training)
Closed: Weekends and Holidays
Phone: 315-785-4624
Nurse Triage: 315-785-4609
Emergent After Hours (4 p.m. – 7:30 a.m.): 315-777-6899
Location: 826 Washington Street, Suites 104 & 202, Watertown, NY 13601.
Appointments: Walk-ins are available for repeat Depo/Gardasil shots only. All other services are available with referral for appointment.

Women’s Health plays a vital role in the overall readiness of the Army. Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic supports women’s health through OB/GYN care, breast cancer screening and more.

Services:
- Colposcopies
- Loop Electrical Excision Procedure (LEEP)
- Well woman exams
- Sexually transmitted infections(STI) screening
- Infertility testing
- Gardasil/TDAP/Flu shots
- Cervical Cancer Screening
- Hysterosalpingography (HSG)
- Minor office surgical procedures and in-patient surgical services.
- Birth Control
- Pregnancy care
- Lactation Counseling
- Antepartum Fetal Testing
- Abdominal and Pelvic Ultrasounds
- CenteringPregnancy-Site Certified Program

Centering Pregnancy
Centering Pregnancy is a unique, innovative approach to prenatal care. Instead of having short, individual clinic appointments, you will meet in a small group setting with other women who are due around the same time as you. These groups are led by a midwife or physician along with a member of our nursing staff; this team will guide the discussion, but the conversations that occur in Centering depend largely on what the group wants to discuss. Groups meet for 2 hours at a time, which allows for individual assessment of the baby’s growth and heartbeat, as well as plenty of time for relaxed and open communication about different concerns and questions. Centering groups often have guest speakers as well, such as breastfeeding experts, nutrition experts, labor and delivery nurses, and the like.

If you choose this fun approach to prenatal care, you will experience bonding and will develop friendships unlike anything you have known before. All of the routine testing you would normally have in individual care will occur in the Centering environment. You will still have the same prenatal lab work (blood and urine) and same ultrasound testing. Your group will start on time and end on time, and there will be no waiting to see your provider. You will have the same provider throughout your pregnancy. If you are interested, or if you have any questions, you may speak with our clerks or our nursing staff for more information.

Things to Know
- A Well Woman Exam is typically handled by Primary Care.
- All GYN patients must obtain a referral from their Primary Care Providers to be seen in our clinic.
- Any female who thinks she may be pregnant should make an appointment with her Primary Care Provider. Active Duty Soldiers’ Primary Care Providers are located at Conner Troop Medical Clinic. Beneficiary’s Primary Care Providers are located at Family Practice. The Primary Care Provider will order a urine pregnancy test and if positive, will notify the patient and place an electronic referral to the OB Clinic. Once the referral is received the patient can expect a call from the OB Clinic office that they are referred within 7 days.
- If the pregnant patient has not been set up for care yet and they are having difficulties such as cramping or bleeding, they may call the on-call Triage Nurse at 315-785-4609 (Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.).
- After Hours/Emergency Care: For after hours and on weekends, pregnant patients with urgent questions may contact the on-call Provider at 315-777-6899.
- All active duty patients are to be in either uniform or PT’s for appointments.
The Orthopedic Clinic provides assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of fractures and surgical orthopedic disease; to promote quality patient care through integration of scientific medical principles; to include the patient in planning and implementation of the patient’s care; to provide useful feedback and education to referring providers; and to exceed the compliance requirements with military and civilian regulatory agencies.

SERVICES PROVIDED:
- Detailed musculoskeletal evaluation of fractures and other musculoskeletal injuries that may require surgical intervention.
- Diagnoses and treatment of orthopedic surgical conditions in adults
- Diagnoses and treatment of orthopedic surgical conditions in pediatric patients
- Prescribe medications within scope of practice
- Small procedures; i.e., large and small joint injections and aspirations, some hardware removal
- Anesthesia (digital block, local, limited regional blocks as necessary)
- Manage post-operative complications (treatment of hemorrhage, hematoma evacuation, infections, etc.)
- Incision and drainage of cyst or abscess
- Splint application and management
- Cast application and management
- Orthopedic device (controlled ankle motion boots, prefabricated splints, shoulder and knee immobilizer) application and education.
- Nail avulsion (partial and total)
- Biopsy or repair of nail matrix and nail bed
- Collection of specimen for gram-stain, or cultures
- Total joint replacement of the hip or knee

All invasive major surgeries are performed at Carthage Area Hospital (in Carthage, NY).

The Podiatry Clinic provides podiatric evaluation and treatment to beneficiaries. Conditions covered include medical, surgical, and biomechanical management of diseases, injuries, and deformities as they relate to the lower extremity. Systemic diseases not related to Podiatry will be referred to the appropriate clinic.

Care is provided to Active Duty Soldiers, Retirees, and Reserve and National Guard Soldiers who are on Active Duty status, and eligible military family members on a referral basis.

SERVICES PROVIDED:
- Plantar wart therapy
- Tape and cast immobilization
- Orthotic evaluation and casting
- Nail surgery
- Steroid injection
- Diabetic foot care

All invasive major surgeries are performed at Carthage Area Hospital.
The goal of Preventive Medicine is to promote readiness, prevent disease, and protect the health of the Fort Drum community.

Every member of the Fort Drum community holds the potential to become an expert and believer in prevention and wellness. Through surveillance, education and active prevention, we can recruit these individuals to participation in effectively reducing overall disease burden on Fort Drum and in the US Army.

**Services Offered**

Our department provides overall management of the Preventive Medicine Service, which includes the following sections:

- Army Public Health Nursing
- Nutrition Clinic
- Army Hearing Program (Audiology)
- Occupational Health
- Environmental Health
- Industrial Hygiene
- Soldier Readiness Center

A Board Certified Preventive Medicine physician serves as advisor to the MEDDAC Commander and the Installation Command regarding preventive medicine issues. The General Preventive Medicine service provides the following support on Fort Drum:

- Travel Medicine Clinic (by appointment)
- Tuberculosis control Clinic (by appointment)
- Deployment immunization recommendations and education
- Preventive medicine briefings to soldiers, commanders, and units
- Epidemiologist for outbreak investigations
- MEDDAC anthrax and smallpox immunization surveillance
- Epidemiology and control of infectious and tropical diseases of military significance to include TB, STD's and HIV
- Health aspects of rapid mobilization (medical threat assessment, immunization and chemoprophylaxis policy, etc.)
- Organization and function of military PM in garrison and on deployment.
- Occupational medicine follow-up care (by appointment)
- Military-unique occupational concerns.
- Liaison service between local, state and federal agencies as applicable to military medical requirements.
The Nutrition Clinic of Guthrie Army Health Clinic strives to provide superior Soldier support and patient care through expert professionals employing the full spectrum of nutrition science to optimize Soldier health and physical performance. We provide nutritional education and awareness which shapes eating habits for a lifetime.

A Registered Dietitian is available to provide Medical Nutrition Therapy to Active-Duty Soldiers, retirees and family members. Individual appointments are available by referral only. Once we receive a referral from your PCM, you may schedule an appointment. Referrals are not required for classes, but since seating is limited, participants must call the Nutrition Clinic for reservations.

Meet the readiness needs of today’s military through nutrition doctrine, nutrition policy support to the soldier and the unit, timely delivery of medical nutrition therapy and nutrition education to TRICARE beneficiaries in a variety of settings (military units and community organizations). Provision of consultant services in nutrition to other health care providers and food service operations in the community.

Programs:

**Army Body Composition Program Nutrition Counseling** - A series of two interactive classes provides nutrition guidance, for Soldiers who are flagged or within 2% of being out of weight standards. The Registered Dietitian provides one class at the Army Wellness Center and the second one at the Commissary. This course fulfills the requirement of AR 600-9.

**Nutrition Counseling** - Individual appointments are available for specific nutritional needs or medical conditions by referral from your health care provider.

**Commissary Tour** - An hour long tour of the Commissary highlighting foods to aim for, foods to avoid, how to eat healthy on a budget, and how to avoid labeling misdirection. No physician consult required.

**Performance Nutrition Classes** - Individual and group/team nutrition counseling and education to enhance the performance of Soldier Athletes. Whether it’s training for a marathon, the APFT test or weight room gains, getting the proper nutrition is key to improving your performance.

**Community Classes** - Registered dietitian available to talk to community groups or events on any nutrition topic desired such as healthy snacks for children, weight management, eating on the go, and quick and healthy cooking demonstrations.

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**Occupational Health**

Occupational Health’s mission is to protect the civilian/military work force from occupational injuries, illnesses and exposures. Occupational Health anticipates, identifies, assesses and monitors occupational diseases and injury risks. We perform Pre-Placement Medical Examinations, Medical Surveillance Examinations, Health Hazard Education, Blood Borne Pathogen Exposure follow up, Hearing Readiness and Testing, Vision Readiness and Testing, Workplace Epidemiological Investigations, Respiratory Protection screening, Work-related Immunizations, On-the-Job Injury monitoring and other services while maintaining compliance with military and civilian regulatory agencies.

The Occupational Health Clinic staff recognizes the individuality of the patient and the uniqueness of each patient’s work environment, job duties and physical limitations. We provide comprehensive quality health assessments in which the clinic’s continuing responsibility for health care is not limited by the patient’s age, sex, or by a particular organ system or disease entity. Occupational Health activities focus on health promotion and protection; maintenance and restoration of health and preventive health care, including early disease detection, health education and counseling and worksite evaluations. We believe the patient has the right to be treated with dignity and be an active participant in the decisions regarding personal care.

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**Army Public Health Nursing**

Provides education and clinical services directed toward the promotion of healthy lifestyles and prevention of illness or injury. The area of practice for the Public Health Nurses is in the clinic, classroom, the unit, and other community locations. Health education classes are provided regularly or as requested on tobacco cessation, nutrition, prenatal care/expectant parent, family planning, HIV/AIDS, and sexually transmitted diseases. Public Health Nurses also provide telephone consultations and counseling related to prenatal, postpartum, newborn, child development, and safety concerns. All Active Duty, Family members, retirees, and other authorized beneficiaries are invited to make use of the services offered by Public Health Nursing. Below are the key programs.
Programs:

Tobacco Cessation - Tobacco Cessation Classes are offered twice a month, classes are from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Classes are held in the Army Wellness Center classroom in building 10550, 5th Army Division Rd. Please call to sign up for a class. Information concerning the class and other tobacco cessation matters can also be found on our website.

Sexual Health Clinic - Walk ins are welcome Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at CTMC II. PHN’s are prepared to discuss prevention, testing, or treatment of sexual health matters, to include HIV, Hepatitis, and all other sexually transmitted infections. Confidentiality is top priority.

Latent Tuberculosis Clinical Management - PHN evaluates positive TB skin tests and provides latent tuberculosis case management, by appointment only.

Child, Youth, and School Services - PHN serves as health consultant to Child Development Centers, Family Child Care Homes, School Age Services, and Youth Services, as part of the team to ensure the health and welfare of your children. The PHN is the primary consultant to accommodate children with special needs in the CYSS programs.

Childbirth Classes - A series of three classes held once a month in the afternoon from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm in Preventative Medicine Bldg. P-36 located on First St. West. This is for all mothers and fathers-to-be! We also have two certified lactation consultant, and two certified lactation counselors on staff to help you with your breastfeeding questions and concerns. Call PHN for details of class schedules and services.

North Country Mothers Group - Meets weekly on Wednesday’s from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at Adirondack Creek Community Center, 9797 Constitution Blvd. Whether you are expecting new, or experienced mother, we invited to bring your babies and enjoy this information and resource sharing venue with a maternal-child nurse and other Fort Drum spouses. Call (315)772-3639 for more details

Audiology Clinic

Hours: Monday - Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m. - Noon
Walk-in hours available
Closed: Weekends and Federal Holidays
Phone: 315-772-7639
Location: 10720 (Clark Hall), Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
Appointments: Walk-in only

Diagnostic Services

Audiology provides routine hearing evaluations that consist of air and bone conduction audiometry, speech reception threshold assessment, word recognition testing, Diagnostic Distortion Product Otoacoustic Emissions (DP OAE’s), and immittance audiometry. Immittance audiometry will include tympanogram and ipsilateral acoustic reflexes. All testing is performed by an audiologist or certified technician with supervision from audiologist. This testing is to be completed on all who come in for a diagnostic exam. Follow up testing will include required test as determined by the audiologist or nature of the problem. Testing not performed will be documented on the evaluation form.

Audiology provides routine diagnostic services to all Active Duty Service Members, Active Duty dependents over the age of three years, DoD employees, and retirees. If deemed necessary the audiologist can initiate a referral to another health specialist. Ear mold impressions and minor hearing aid repair may be performed by a qualified technician or audiologist on a walk-in basis or by appointment, if more time is needed.

Profiles

Profiles for Active Duty soldiers will be issued IAW AR 40-501, Standards of Medical Fitness. The profiling will be completed by an Audiologist. All Soldiers requiring an H-3 profile will have a Speech Recognition In Noise Test (SPRINT) completed prior to Military Occupational Specialty Administrative Retention Review (MAR2). DoD employees who have H3 profile level hearing are also administered the SPRINT 100.

Hearing Aid Services

Hearing aids are available for Soldiers. Soldiers found to have sufficient hearing loss to warrant amplification will be fit at Audiology Services. Before being fit with amplification a complete and current (within 12 months) diagnostic exam must be completed. Hearing aids are not offered to dependents, DoD employees or retirees at this time.

Waivers

Waiver requests policy for Airborne School. Fort Benning has indicated that in order for a waiver to be given three conditions must be met: 1) reliability must be good on the 4700, 2) word recognition must be good (80% or greater per clinic standards), 3) audiologist recommends a waiver. The soldier will then return to their primary care provider for additional recommendation.

Hearing Conservation Clinic

Hours: Monday - Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m. - Noon
Closed: Weekends and Federal Holidays
Phone: 315-772-3622
Location: 10720 (Clark Hall) Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
Appointments: Walk-in only

The Hearing Conservation Clinic ensures all military and civilian personnel routinely exposed to potentially hazardous noise are given a preplacement audiometric examination (to be recorded on a DD Form 2215 as a Reference Base-Line audiogram).

Individuals who perform duties in a hazardous noise environment receive annual audiometric examinations (to be recorded on a DD Form 2216 as a periodic audiogram). Termination (DD Form 2216) audiograms are performed on personnel leaving the military (ETS, chapter, or retirement) and for civilian personnel enrolled in the Hearing Conservation Program (terminating employment or retirement). The original DD Form 2215/2216 is filed in the individual Health Record and a duplicate copy will be maintained in the local Hearing Conservation File.

DOEHRS-HC data export procedures are performed monthly on all DOEHRS-HC systems and sent to the DOEHRS data ware-
Hearing Conservation provides educational lectures to all Soldiers on the deleterious effects of noise and on the proper use and care of hearing protective devices. In addition, we supervise the fitting of hearing protection to Soldiers and Civilian personnel routinely exposed to noise. We fit hearing protective devices to all personnel (civilian and military) working in potentially hazardous noise areas, provide a written letter to a Soldier's company commander or to a Civilian's supervisor when he/she shows a permanent STS in hearing, monitor firing ranges to ensure personnel are complying with the regulations for hearing conservation (mandatory wear of hearing protection), and provide any additional lectures required in the administration of the Hearing Conservation Program.

**Soldier Readiness Clinic**

**Hours:** Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m. - Noon & 12:30 - 4 p.m.  
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays  
**Phone:** 772-0063 - In the event of an emergency call 911  
**Location:** 10720 Mt. Belvedere Blvd.  
**Appointments:** Appointments are required; call 772-0063 to schedule an appointment with SRC

**Services provided include:**  
Medical In-processing. Medical Readiness for Deployment/Redeployment of active duty Soldiers, Post Health Deployment, Re-Assessment (PDHRA), Mobilization/Demobilization (MOB/DEMOB) for Reservists, National Guard, and individual medical readiness. We also conduct the yearly Influenza Vaccination Program for active duty Soldiers.

Please call (315)772-0063 to schedule an appointment for a unit.

**Programs:**

**Medical In-Processing:** In-processing Soldiers are any Soldier new to Fort Drum. All in-processors are scheduled thru the Welcome Center, Clark Hall 772-2564. The Welcome Center schedules service members based on the influx of soldiers as well as the availability of their calendar. Scheduling with our clinic is based on a variety of factors which include the service member’s other in-processing stops and our availability for that day. The standard for an in-processor is to establish the Soldier in the system, identify medical needs, update soldier information, update immunizations, and act as a first impression of MEDDAC to the service member, informing them of their access to care.

**Soldier Readiness Check (MOB):** Any Soldier within 90 days of deployment will receive SRC. All SRC’s are scheduled thru the Personnel Services Branch’s Soldier Readiness Coordinator, Clark Hall 772-2564. The PSB/Welcome Center schedules service members based on the influx of Soldiers as well as the availability of their calendar. The standard for a service member during the SRC process is to ensure the system has accurate information, identify non-deployability issues, update Soldier information, update immunizations, administer deployment immunizations, ensure labs are up-to-date.

**Reverse Soldier Readiness Check (DEMOB):** A RSRC is performed on any service member who has recently returned from deployment. All RSRC’s are scheduled thru the Personnel Services Branch’s Soldier Readiness Coordinator, Clark Hall 772-2564. The PSB/Welcome Center schedules service members based on the influx of Soldiers as well as the availability of their calendar. The standard for a service member during the RSRC process is to ensure the system has accurate information, identify immediate medical issues, update soldier information, update immunizations, administer PPD, ensure labs are up-to-date.

**Post-Deployment Health Reassessment:** Service members who recently returned from deployment receive PDHRAs in 90-180. All PDHRA’s are scheduled thru the administrative staff of the SRP Clinic at 772-0063. PDHRAs are scheduled by a variety of methods, depending on number, unit, and priority. The standard for a service member during the PDHRA process is to ensure the system has accurate information, identify immediate and reoccurring medical issues, update Soldier information, update immunizations, administer follow-up PPD from the RSRC process, ensure labs are up-to-date.

**Walk-In & Out-Processing:** An out-processor is any Soldier leaving Fort Drum. All out-processors are provided a medical out-processing brief. A walk-in is any service member who comes to the clinic and is not scheduled for a process. Walk-ins vary from those who need a process completed, to those who only need to update their medical readiness status. The standards for both are to identify medical needs, update Soldier...
Department of Physical Rehabilitation

Physical Therapy Clinic

**Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Wednesday: 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.
**Closed:** Weekends, and Federal Holidays
**Phone:** 315-772-1628
**Location:** Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic, 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
**Appointments:** Appointments are necessary; requires a consult or referral from PCM.

**SERVICES OFFERED:**
- In-clinic rehab
- Cervical and lumbar traction
- Therapeutic dry needling
- Electrical stimulation
- Functional rehab (located at the Monti Gym)
- Pool class (located at the Monti Gym)
- Pose method running (located at Atkins Gym)

Chiropractic Clinic (Active Duty Only)

**Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.; Wednesday: 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
**Closed:** Weekends, and Federal Holidays
**Phone:** 315-772-1628
**Location:** Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic, 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
**Appointments:** Appointments are necessary; requires a consult or referral from PCM.

**SERVICES OFFERED:**
- Traction
- Trigger Point Therapy
- Temporal Mandibular Joint Manipulation
- Electrical Stimulation
- Cervical and Lumbar adjustments

Occupational Therapy

**Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Wednesday: 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
**Phone:** 315-774-6246
**Location:** Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic, 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
**Appointments:** Appointments are necessary; requires a consult or referral from PCM.

**SERVICES OFFERED:**
- Increase function of upper extremity with everyday activities.
- Post-surgical rehabilitation for upper extremity
- Neuromuscular re-education
- Modalities include: ultrasound, iontophoresis, fluidotherapy, paraffin bath, electrical stimulation
The hallmark of Conner Troop Medical Clinic (CTMC) and Troop Medical Clinic 2 (TMC2) is based on the concept of a Soldier Centered Medical Home (SCMH) which provides enhanced continuity of care focusing on prevention and consolidation of all services to one location for ease of access. The CTMC and TMC2 SCMH is comprised of the Mountain, Falcon, Warrior, and Commando Homes which correspond to the Brigade assignments of the 10th Mountain Division. As a result of this structure, Soldiers will be assigned to a specific team which will include their PCM and 3-5 other credentialed providers (usually from their respective unit), a registered nurse, 2-3 licensed practical nurses and several 68W medics. If your PCM is not available, you may be scheduled with another provider on your team to maintain continuity of care. Soldiers will ideally not lose contact with their current PCM, but will gain the experience and knowledge of a coordinated medical team who utilize evidence based medicine, and who will be familiar with their patients in an effort to allow for increased access to care and a proactive approach to health care.
Pharmacy Services

Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic Pharmacy
Hours: Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Closed: Weekends and Federal Holidays
Location: 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
Phone: 315-772-7698

Conner Troop Medical Clinic Pharmacy
Hours: Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Friday: 7:30 a.m. – Noon
Closed: Weekends, Training Holidays and Federal Holidays
Phone: 315-772-8400
Location: 10504 Euphrates River Valley Rd.

Busiest Times:
Main Pharmacy (Guthrie) 10 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 2pm-4:30 p.m. (Please allow extra time for prescription pick up between these hours.)

Mandatory ID Checks:
Patients must have their ID card to receive Pharmacy services. When picking up a prescription for someone other than yourself, you must have either the patient’s ID card, a photo copy of the patient’s ID card or a picture of the patient’s ID card on a cell phone may also be presented.

Medication List (Formulary):
The Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic Outpatient Formulary can be accessed at: http://www.drum.amedd.army.mil/ or via the web at TriCareOnline.com. Refills submitted to the system by 1:00 p.m., will be ready by 1:00 p.m. the next duty day. Please be aware that delays may occur in the event of stock shortages, any refills that require approval, or medications that must be special ordered. Scheduled pharmacy closures or periods of shortened hours may also impact your prescription pickup time. Due to space limitations, medications submitted will only be held for seven (7) days. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Pharmacy at 315-772-7698.

New Prescriptions:
- Patients should not mail new prescriptions to the Guthrie Pharmacy, but physically bring prescriptions to the pharmacy and they will be filled at that time.
- Civilian physicians/providers may use e-prescribing. All a proved hard copy prescriptions must be signed in ink. Hand stamps are not honored at MTFs.
- Instructions to patients that state “Use as directed” are not acceptable for patient safety reasons.
- Most prescriptions will be filled as written, up to a 90-day supply.
- Faxed and phoned in prescriptions are not accepted.
- The Pharmacy accepts outside providers’ written prescriptions for drop-off until 5 p.m.. Drop-offs after 5 p.m. will be ready the next business day.

TRICARE Pharmacy Program:
TRICARE’s pharmacy benefit is available to all eligible uniformed service members, retirees, and family members, including beneficiaries age 65 and older. The TRICARE Pharmacy Program provides outpatient prescription drugs to more than 9.6 million individuals. Express Scripts, Inc., who administers the TRICARE Pharmacy benefit, provides your home delivery, retail, and specialty pharmacy services. Express Scripts handles millions of prescriptions each year through home delivery and retail network pharmacies.

The TRICARE Pharmacy Program is designed to provide the medications you need, when you need them, in a safe, convenient, and cost-effective manner. The program’s three objectives are to:
1. Provide a uniform, effective, and efficient benefit: TRICARE provides you with several pharmacy options. The TRICARE Pharmacy Program Handbook contains more information on these options. It is the most comprehensive source of information on the pharmacy benefit. Beneficiaries may also visit www.tricare.mil/pharmacy or www.express-scripts.com/ TRICARE, to obtain helpful information about their pharmacy benefit.
2. Encourage TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery use: TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery is the least expensive option when not using a military treatment facility pharmacy. You can receive up to a 90-day supply of maintenance medications delivered directly to your home. The Member Choice Center is available at 1-800-238-6095 to help you switch prescriptions to the convenient, cost-effective home delivery option.
3. Promote patient safety: All prescriptions dispensed through military treatment facilities, TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery, and retail network pharmacies are vigorously checked for accuracy and against your TRICARE prescription history for potential drug interactions.

Refills:
Refills are obtained by calling the 24-hour Automated Refill Service at 1-800-354-9280, or via the web at TriCareOnline.com. Refills submitted to the system by 1:00 p.m., will be ready by 1:00 p.m. the next duty day. Please be aware that delays may occur in the event of stock shortages, any refills that require approval, or medications that must be special ordered. Scheduled pharmacy closures or periods of shortened hours may also impact your prescription pickup time. Due to space limitations, medications submitted will only be held for seven (7) days. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Pharmacy at 315-772-7698.

Same day refill service is only provided for active duty at CTMC only.
Veterinary Services

**Hours:** Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
**Closed:** Weekends and Holidays
**Phone:** 315-772-4262
**Location:** 10735 Enduring Freedom Dr. (between Key Bank and the Commissary)
**Appointments:** Yes

Privately Owned Animal veterinary care. Privately Owned Animal services are available by appointment for Active Duty, Reservists, National Guard and Retirees.

**Services Offered:**
- Immunizations and wellness exams
- Sick call services- acute vomiting, diarrhea, wound/injury care (all cases must be triaged over the phone prior to the patient coming in)
- Geriatric care- senior bloodwork, arthritis, quality of life
- Dermatological care- skin and ears
- Diagnostic services including blood work, radiology, and ultrasonography
- Routine surgical services- spay, neuter, dental, mass removals
- Dental care- cleaning under anesthesia and extractions
- Health certificates for travel or OCONUS PCS
- Nail trims, ear cleaning, anal gland expression
- On-site pharmacy (limited to patients with a valid vet-client-patient relationship within the past 12 months)

**MISC:**
For Service/Family members living on-post, all pets must be registered at the veterinary clinic within 45 days of arrival. All pets must have a microchip and current rabies certificate.

To safeguard health and well-being of both animals and people through exemplary public health services, which include Food Safety and Security, Military Working Dog veterinary care, and

Army Wellness Center

**Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Tuesday: 7a.m. -6pm; Thursday: 7a.m. -2:30p.m.
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays
**Phone:** 772-4608
**Location:** 10550 5th Armored Dr.
**Appointments:** Appointments are required

The Army Wellness Center provides standardized primary prevention programs and services designed to build and sustain good health and improve the overall lifestyles of Soldiers, Family Members, Retirees, and DA Civilians. The Army Wellness Center helps individuals build good health by empowering participants to set their own health goals and achieve them. It addresses lifestyle change in areas that affect both short- and long-term health, engaging people in their "lifespace"- the places where they live, work, relax and rest. Appointments for health assessments can be made through referrals from PCM, or self-referral in person, or by phone.

**Services Offered:** A variety of clinical services to include fitness testing and prescription, metabolic (nutrition) and body composition assessments. Biofeedback sessions are offered in conjunction with our Stress Management class. Other classes offered include Healthy Sleep Habits and Upping Your Metabolism.
**Clark Hall Dental Clinic**  
*(In-processing and Deployment/Redeployment Readiness Checks)*

**Hours:** Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays  
**Location:** 10720 (Clark Hall) Mt. Belvedere Blvd.  
**Phone:** 315-772-0574  
**Appointments:** Are required.

**Services Provided:**  
- In-processing records  
- Conducting dental readiness checks for Soldiers re-deploying  
- MOB/DEMOB Reservist  
- Conducting in-processing briefs for newly arriving Soldiers  
- Distributing dental records to assigned dental clinic

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**Stone Dental Clinic** *(Active Duty Only)*

**Units Serviced:** Division Headquarters (HHBN), 10th Sustainment, 10th CAB, DENTAC, WTU, MEDDAC, and tenant units.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm.  
**Sick Call:** Monday – Friday from 7:00 am to 8:30 am  
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays  
**Location:** 10590 Enduring Freedom Drive  
**Phone:**  
- Reception Desk: (315)774-5574/5575  
- Dental Officer of the Day: (315) 778-5622  
- Dental CQ: (315)778-7135  
**Appointments:** Are required.

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**TRICARE Dental Program**

- **TRICARE Dental Program for Family Members:**
  The TRICARE Dental Program is a voluntary dental plan. You can enroll if you're a:  
  - Family member of an Active Duty service member  
  - Family member of a National Guard/Reserve member  
  - National Guard/Reserve member who is not on active duty or covered by the Transitional Assistance Management Program (TAMP)

- **The TRICARE Dental Program covers:**  
  - Exams, cleanings, fluorides, sealants, and X-rays  
  - Fillings, including white fillings on back teeth  
  - Root canals  
  - Gum surgery  
  - Oral surgery and tooth extractions  
  - Crowns and dentures  
  - Orthodontics and braces  
  - Scaling and root planing (deep cleaning) for diabetics  
  - Additional cleaning for pregnant women

**MetLife** is the TRICARE Dental Program contractor. Once enrolled log into: [http://www.tricare.mil/tdp](http://www.tricare.mil/tdp) to get a list of Dental Providers in the area that can service you.

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**Marshall Dental Clinic** *(Active Duty Only)*

**Units Serviced:** 1st Brigade, 2nd Brigade, DSTB 10th Mountain

**Hours:** Monday - Friday from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm.  
**Sick Call:** Monday – Friday from 7:00 am to 8:30 am  
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays  
**Location:** 10205 North Riva Ridge Loop  
**Phone:**  
- Reception Desk: (315)772-8891  
- Dental Officer of the Day: (315) 778-5622  
- Dental CQ: (315)778-7135  
**Appointments:** Are required.

1. Contact the Clinic reception desk to make an appointment in the Marshall Dental Clinic where a Dentist or Dental Hygienist will see you.  
2. Contact the Dental Officer of the Day or Dental CQ for Dental emergencies (After 4:00 pm, Monday – Friday and all day on weekends or training holidays) at the following numbers: (315) 778-5622 or (315)778-7135.

**In the event of a medical emergency, please call "911".**

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**Tricare Dental Program for Retirees:**

The TRICARE Retiree Dental Program is a voluntary dental plan. You can enroll if you're a:  
- Retired service member  
- Family member of a retired service member  
- Retired Guard/Reserve member  
- Family member of retired Guard/Reserve member  
- Medal of Honor recipient  
- Family member of Medal of Honor recipient  
- Survivor

**The TRICARE Retiree Dental Program covers:**  
- Exams, cleanings, fluorides, sealants, and X-rays  
- Fillings  
- Root canals  
- Gum surgery  
- Oral surgery and extractions  
- Crowns and dentures  
- Orthodontics

**Delta Dental** is the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program contractor. Once enrolled log into: [http://www.tricare.mil/tdp](http://www.tricare.mil/tdp) to get a list of Dental Providers in the area that can service you.

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**TRICARE Dental Program for Family Members:**

The TRICARE Dental Program is a voluntary dental plan. You can enroll if you're a:  
- Family member of an Active Duty service member  
- Family member of a National Guard/Reserve member  
- National Guard/Reserve member who is not on active duty or covered by the Transitional Assistance Management Program (TAMP)

**The TRICARE Dental Program covers:**  
- Exams, cleanings, fluorides, sealants, and X-rays  
- Fillings, including white fillings on back teeth  
- Root canals  
- Gum surgery  
- Oral surgery and tooth extractions  
- Crowns and dentures  
- Orthodontics and braces  
- Scaling and root planing (deep cleaning) for diabetics  
- Additional cleaning for pregnant women
Patient Advocate

**Hours:** Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays
**Phone:** 315-772-4655/7368
**Location:** Guthrie Ambulatory Health Clinic, 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd.
**Appointments:** No, walk-in basis

**MISSION:** The Fort Drum MEDDAC Patient Advocate Office serves as the contact point for all patient satisfaction concerns, compliments and suggestions. We are the liaison between the patients and the MEDDAC Clinics. We can assist you in obtaining assistance and/or answers to your concerns. We are the point of contact for information on your Patient Bill of Rights and Responsibilities, Advanced Directives, Patient Privacy and information on the Rules and Regulations of the MEDDAC. The Patient Advocate Office is also the point of contact for our patients who may require language interpreter or American Sign Language interpreter services during their appointment. In most cases the Patient Advocate Office will require at least 48 hours to arrange for a Sign Language Interpreter to be present. If you think that you or your family member may need a Sign Language Interpreter, please contact the Patient Advocate Office.

I have concerns, how can I be heard?
Your concerns and comments are important to us. Without your comments the process of improving your health care is much more difficult because we are missing an important factor, the viewpoint of the patient. And never forget that you are the reason that we are here.

The MEDDAC Commander gives you the right and the responsibility to voice your concerns without any fear of reprisal. Basically by doing this, you make us a better facility for YOU!

So how do I make a comment, complaint or compliment?
There are several ways for you to be heard here at Fort Drum.
- You may, at any time, contact your Patient Advocate Office at 315-772-4655/7368 or walk in to see the Patient Advocate at Guthrie Ambulatory Health Clinic, Suite 1858, no appointment is required.
- If you prefer, you may use the Interactive Customer Evaluation (ICE) program. After you click the Submit button your comments will be sent to the Patient Representative Officer via Email. If you would like a response, please ensure that your name and telephone numbers are included.
- Finally, your voice can also be heard by completing the Army Provider Level Satisfaction Survey (APLSS) survey you receive by email or USPS mail.
- And remember compliments are also welcome!!!

So what needs to be included in my comments?
USA MEDDAC, Fort Drum Patient Advocate Office requires no format or special form to file when you want to be heard. The following items are helpful to ensure that your concerns, complaints, or compliments are sent to the correct departments:
- Your name (and the Patient’s name if you are not the Patient.) You may file an anonymous complaint via the ICE program but no follow up with you will be possible.
- Good contact Telephone numbers and/or addresses or emails (if you have requested contact)
- Sponsor’s or your last 4 social security number (SSN). Please do not include the full SSN, especially over the internet.
- All names of the people that have affected your care (positive or negative).
- Times and dates relating to the incident that you wish to make comments on are great but you do not have to be exact.
- How you feel about the situation. Not just the facts, but how the situation that you are commenting on has affected your emotions and your perception of your healthcare.

What you are looking to achieve with this complaint or comment. This is a very important part of your comment, but it will be the hardest to write. Comments do not have to be in military format or in advanced legal jargon. In fact, it is always more effective to have your comments in the plainest words possible. If you have requested to be contacted in regards to your comment, you should receive contact from the Patient Advocate Office within two working days of your statement being received. If you have any questions about the complaint or grievance policy at USA MEDDAC Fort Drum, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you.

**Language Interpreter Services**
ThePatient Advocate Office is also the point of contact for our patients who may require an American Sign Language Interpreter during their appointment. In most cases the Patient Advocate Office will require at least 48 hours to arrange for an Interpreter to be present. If you think that you or your family member may need a translator, please contact the Patient Advocate Office at 315-772-4655/7368.
Patient Administration Division

Guthrie Medical Records Section
Hours: Monday – Friday 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.; 2nd and 3rd Wed, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Closed: Weekends and Federal Holidays
Phone: (315) 772-3081/5637
Appointments: Walk-in only

Troop Medical Clinic II Medical Records Section
Hours: Monday - Thursday, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.; 2nd and 3rd Wed, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Clearing Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Closed: Weekends and Federal Holidays
Phone: (315) 772-8664
Location: 10020 Euphrates River Valley Rd
Appointments: Walk-in only

Mission: The Patient Administration Division’s purpose is to maintain patient medical records and assist patients in retrieving medical information pertinent to their ongoing medical care.

If you are a Soldier or Family member who is new to the area, we strongly encourage you to stop by our outpatient records department and request your medical records from your previous unit.

Medical Records
The Medical Records Section falls under the PAD. Medical Records are the property of the U.S. Government and are maintained for the benefit of the patient. The Medical Records Section and Release of Information staff have the responsibility for ensuring all medical records held in their custody are safeguarded from loss or tampering, and that the information in the records is released only to authorized individuals.

A valid ID card is required to request a copy of your medical records. Beneficiaries are entitled to one free personal copy of their medical record, per AR 40-66. Additional copies will be assessed an administrative fee and charges per page. Due to the large volume of requests, customers requesting a copy of their medical records should submit their requests in writing no less than 45 days in advance.

Guthrie Medical Records Section
Medical records for military family members, retirees, and WTU, DENTAC, Veterinarian Services, and MEDDAC Soldiers are maintained at the Medical Records Section at Guthrie Ambulatory Healthcare Clinic (GAHC). It is recommended that a medical record be established at GAHC for every Family member to be seen for medical treatment on Fort Drum.

TMC2 Medical Records Section
Medical records for Garrison and Division Soldiers are maintained at the Troop Medical Clinic 2 (TMC2).

Release of Information (ROI)
This department handles requests for copies of medical records. One free personal copy per person is authorized, additional copies have a fee per page (call number below for fee information). To request a personal copy of your medical records, please visit the Guthrie Medical Records/ROI window to fill out your request.

Hours: Monday - Thursday, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.; 2nd and 3rd Wed, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Closed: Weekends and Federal Holidays
Phone: (315) 772-4032
Fax: (315) 772-3449/7758
Location: Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic, Bldg. 11050,
Appointments: Walk-in only

Requesting Information:
Patients may request copies of their medical records using DD Form 2870 (Authorization for Disclosure of Medical or Dental Information) available online:
www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/information/forms/formsprogram.htm by mail or by visiting ROI reception, located in the Patient Administration Room 1613, Window 1.

Archived Records:
GAHC maintains outpatient records for a period of 2 years after the patient’s last medical encounter (excluding active duty military and their dependents). Any records from 2015 will be at the AMEDD Records Processing Center. Any records from 1993 to 2014 will be at the VA, which will need to be requested on Standard Form 180 and can be found at:

Active Duty Military Records
Dept of Veteran Affairs
Records Mgmt Center
P.O. Box 5020
St. Louis, MO 63115

AMEDD Record
Processing Center
3370 Nacogdoches
RD STE 116
San Antonio, TX 78217-3371
Managed Care Division

**Hours:** Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m. - Noon

**Closed:** Weekends and Federal Holidays

**Phone:** Debt Collections Office - (315) 772-4039
Health Benefits Advisor (HBA) / Beneficiary Counseling and Assistance Coordinator (BCAC) - (315) 772-5111
Referral Management Office - (315) 772-6635/4019
Patient Travel Assistant-(315) 772-4435

**Location:** Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic, 11050 Mt. Belvedere Blvd., next to the Patient-Centered Medical Home

**Appointments:** No, walk-in basis

MCD is responsible for managing the coordination of health care services outside the MEDDAC’s scope of care. Services include: processing referrals for care to the civilian network or Medical Treatment Facility; enrollment to PCMs; advisement of the TRICARE benefits to enrollees; settlement of debts incurred for care outside of MEDDAC; and assistance with travel to specialty care providers over 100 miles from their PCM. This includes liaison with the Managed Care Support Contractor and civilian providers and other Medical Treatment Facilities within and outside the MEDDAC.

**Debt Collection Assistance Office (DCAO):**
The DCAO assists beneficiaries who have received notification that their medical or dental bill is in collections. If you receive a collection notice, please bring the following to our office: the notification letter; a copy of any receipts; name of individual who contacted you; phone number and address; the name and address of the provider and the date they treated you. We will examine your files to see where the issue may lie and determine the best way to resolve the problem.

The DCAO will contact collection agencies, attorneys, and providers, and stop collection efforts until s/he can determine the validity of the claim(s) in question. The DCAO can assist beneficiaries, providers (and their agents alike), in understating and verifying the TRICARE benefits of enrollees; settlement of debts incurred for care outside of MEDDAC; and assistance with travel to specialty care providers.

**Patient Travel Assistant (PTA):**
The Patient Travel Assistant is responsible for assisting patients in the coordination of, and reimbursement of cost associated with, travel to specialty care service over 100 miles from your PCM. Services include (but are not limited to) preparing TDY orders and assistance with filing travel vouchers for both the traveler and when appropriate, the non-medical attendant. If you are enrolled to a PCM in the civilian network you must call TRICARE at 1-888-TRICARE for assistance with your Prime Travel benefit.

**Health Benefits Advisor (HBA) / Beneficiary Counseling and Assistance Coordinator (BCAC):**
The Health Benefits Advisor is available to assist with questions regarding TRICARE benefits, in resolving TRICARE problems, and in completing forms associated with TRICARE benefits.

**Referred Management Office:**
This office provides Active Duty, retirees, and Family members with assistance in coordinating medical appointments through the TRICARE Managed Care Support Contractor.

**What You Need to Know about Your Specialty Referral**

**If you have a “STAT” Referral:**
1. PCM will call the specialty provider directly and coordinate the next available time for you to come in.
2. The PCM or member of your PCMH Team will give you the name of the specialty provider, directions to their office, phone number of the office, and assist in coordinating transportation based off of the severity of your current condition.

**If your referral is URGENT or ASAP (need to be seen by specialists in the next 72 hours):**
1. At Guthrie: A member of your PCMH team will call you within 24 hours to schedule the appointment.
   - If you do not receive a call within 24hrs or the PCMH team member is unable to contact you directly please call 772-2778 to book your appointment. Inform the call center representative that your referral is URGENT/ASAP to ensure you are seen within the 72 hour time frame.
2. If you received an URGENT/ASAP referral from your PCM to see a specialty provider outside of the MEDDAC your PCMH team will call you within 24 hours and provide you information to schedule the appointment with the specialty provider.
   - If you do not receive a call within 24 hours or the PCMH team member is unable to contact you directly please call 1-877-TRICARE (874-2273) for assistance with booking your appointment. Ensure the representative understands the referral is URGENT/ASAP to ensure you are seen within the 72 hour time frame.

**Routine (Diagnostic Study or Specialty Visit within 28 days)**
1. If you received a Routine referral from your PCM to see a specialty provider within the MEDDAC a member of the specialty provider’s team will call you within 72 hours to schedule the appointment.
   - If you do not receive a call within 72 hours or the specialty provider’s team member is unable to contact you directly please call 772-2778 to book your appointment.
2. If you received a ROUTINE referral from your PCM to see a specialty provider in the Civilian Community or a different MTF, Health Net Federal Services will have a letter delivered to you within 10-14 business days providing the information needed to schedule the appointment with the specialty provider.
   - If the specialist office calls you requesting information from your patient records, ask them to fax their request to the Release of Information at 315-772-3449 or 315-772-7758 and it will be provided.
• If the specialist office does not have the access, capability to provide the care you need, or you’d prefer to go to another specialist office that provides the same services needed, please call 1-877-TRICARE (874-2273) to have your referral changed to see another provider.

**Referral processing time**

1. Please allow the amount of time prescribed for each type of referral to properly process it. *Please do not visit the Managed Care Referral Management Office or your PCMH until the allotted time has passed.*

2. The status of your referral can be viewed by clicking the TRICARE Claims/Referrals (My TRICARE managed by PGBA) prompt from your TRICARE account located at [https://www.tricareonline.com/portal/page/portal/TricareOnline/Portal](https://www.tricareonline.com/portal/page/portal/TricareOnline/Portal).

• Non-Common Access Card (CAC) beneficiaries will need to create a Department of Self-Service (DS) or Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) user name and password account to log into TRICARE online.

• Non Common Access Card (CAC) beneficiaries will need to create another user name and password once you hit the TRICARE Claims/Referrals (My TRICARE managed by PGBA) prompt. This creates the My TRICARE account that allows you to see your referrals.

**TRICARE Prime Enrollment:**

Active Duty Service Members are mandated to be enrolled to a Fort Drum PCM. Service members complete their own TRICARE Prime Enrollment forms during in-processing. Non-Active Duty beneficiaries can enroll in TRICARE Prime at (or near) Fort Drum by contacting TRICARE: Call 1-877-874-2273 or Visit [www.tricare.mil](http://www.tricare.mil) or [www.hnfs.com](http://www.hnfs.com).

**TRICARE Prime Access Standards**

**Acute/Urgent Care – Seen within 24 hours**

If you require an acute or urgent care appointment (earache, high fever, etc), your PCM must provide you an appointment within 24 hours.

**Routine Care – Seen within 7 days**

If you require an appointment for routine care (flu, colds, allergies, check-ups, etc), your PCM must provide you an appointment within 7 days.

**Specialty Care – Seen within 28 days**

If you require an appointment for specialty care, (cardiology, orthopedics, podiatry, etc.), the MTF must provide you an appointment within 28 days.

**Wellness Care – Seen within 28 days**

If you require an appointment for a wellness visit, (mammogram, pap smears, physicals, health maintenance, etc.), your PCM must provide you an appointment within 28 days.

**Urgent Care Center Options**

TRICARE also offers beneficiaries the option to use Urgent Care Centers in Watertown *with an authorization from your PCM*. Locations, hours of operation, and phone numbers, are as follows:

**DURING CLINIC HOURS:** For Patients assigned to Guthrie Primary Care Clinic: First call the clinic at (315) 772-2778 for a same day appointment. If no appointments are available, you will be transferred to a Triage Nurse and you may be referred to an Urgent Care Center.

* Soldiers assigned to CTMC or TMC2 should first go to their assigned Battalion Aide Station. After sick-call hours call (315) 772-2778.
* Soldiers assigned to ACAS should first go to sick from 7-8 a.m. at ACAS. After sick-call hours call (315) 772-1451.
* Soldiers assigned to MEDDAC, DENTAC, VET Services, or WTU Cadre should first go to sick call from 8 -8:30 a.m. at the Guthrie Primary Care Clinic, after sick-call hours call (315) 772-2778.

**AFTER HOURS:** Please call (315) 772-2778 and choose the option to be transferred the to the Tricare Nurse Advice Line. All patients who need a referral to Urgent Care are required to be triaged by an RN. Call (315) 772-2778 Or 1-877-TRICARE

**Remember:** TRICARE Prime patients require a referral from their PCM to use local Urgent Care Centers.

**DEERS**

All TRICARE information, including referrals, authorization, additional information, enrollment, information about payments, cost-share, deductibles, etc., are mailed to beneficiaries at the address listed in DEERS. It is very important to keep this information up-to-date. There are several ways to update your address and phone number in DEERS.

Visit [www.tricare.osd.mil/deers/default.cfm](http://www.tricare.osd.mil/deers/default.cfm) or Visit the Military ID Section at Clark Hall or Call the Defense Manpower Data Center Support Office at 1-800-538-9552 or Fax changes to DEERS at 1-408-655-8317 or Mail changes to:

DEERS Support Office (DSO), ATTN: COA 400 Gigling Road, Seaside, CA 93955-6771

* Patients who are experiencing an emergent medical situation should report to the nearest hospital emergency room or call 911.

Local area hospitals with emergency services include:

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The following services are available to Soldiers and adult family members who are survivors of sexual assault not related to domestic violence:

**Unrestricted Reporting:** This option is recommended for a victim of sexual assault who desires medical treatment, counseling, and an official investigation of the crime. You should contact one of the numbers listed below to report the sexual assault.

**Restricted Reporting:** This option is recommended for victims of sexual assault who wish to confidentially disclose the crime to specifically identified individuals and receive medical treatment and counseling without triggering the official investigative process. Victims who make a restricted report can change to an unrestricted report at any time. You should contact one of the numbers listed below to report the sexual assault.

* Please remember that if you divulge that you were sexually assaulted to anyone other than a Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC), SHARP victim advocate, or medical personnel it will be considered an unrestricted report and an investigation will be initiated by CID.

For additional information or immediate assistance contact:
Fort Drum 10th MTN DIV SHARP 24/7 Hotline: (315)767-6128 Or Safe Helpline-Sexual Assault Support for the DOD Community (877)995-5247 Text: 55-247 (inside the U.S.) Text: 202-470-5546 (outside the U.S.) www.safehelpline.org/

**Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examiner (SAMFE):**
The Fort Drum Sexual Assault Medical Management Office (SAMMO) provides medical and behavioral health care to all adult (age 18 and above) victims of sexual assault. Our team consists of the Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examiners (SAMFE), Sexual Assault Care Providers (SACP), Sexual Assault Behavioral Health providers (SABH).

We have a team of nurses and providers (SAMFE) available 24/7 who are specially trained to conduct a medical and forensic examination when a victim reports sexual assault within 168 hours (7 days) of the event. The examination includes the completion of a forensic evidence collection kit, treatment for injuries and preventative treatment for pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections. Examinations are offered in the local hospital emergency rooms at Carthage Area Hospital and Samaritan Medical Center.

Whether the assault is officially reported as restricted/unrestricted or not officially reported at all, any victim of sexual assault is offered ongoing medical care by our SACP to monitor and treat any medical complications or problems as a result of the assault. The care will continue for at least six months following the assault or until care is no longer needed.

Additionally, behavioral health counseling and care is led by our SABH provider offering individual counseling/therapy and group therapy to survivors of sexual assault, no matter when it occurred. The SABH will meet with the survivor to address the survivor needs and develop a plan for services as requested or required and will continue until care is no longer needed or the survivor wishes to terminate care.

The SABH and the SACP work together as a team to ensure recovery and healing for the survivor.

To report a sexual assault, call the Fort Drum Sexual Assault Hotline (confidential) 315-767-6128. For questions about the program call 315-772-8812.
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Fort Drum Medical Facilities

Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic
Samaritan Medical Center, Watertown, NY
Frequently Asked Questions

**PRIMARY CARE CLINIC**

Q: How do I change providers?
A: You will need to call the TRICARE line at 1-877-TRICARE (874-2273).

Q: Why did I get declined for Relay Health?
A: Please sign the Relay Health paperwork from the front desk personnel and hand it in to them either prior to your appointment or after your appointment is complete.

Q: How do I schedule an appointment?
A: You can schedule an appointment by either calling 315-772-2778 or via TRICARE online.

Q: What is Pain Management?
A: Pain management is a branch of medicine employing an interdisciplinary approach for easing the suffering and improving the quality of life of those living with pain.

Q: What services are available in Pain Management?
A: Our Interdisciplinary team includes a Doctor, Psychologist, Pharmacist, Nurses, Movement Therapist (Yoga), and a Chiropractor. Services to be available in the future include Massage Therapy and Acupuncture.

Q: How do I make an appointment?
A: We are a specialty clinic that requires a referral from a provider. Referrals are reviewed; this determines appropriate care at Guthrie or within the network.

Q: What is an Exceptional Family Member?
A: Any family member (legal dependent through DEERS) regardless of age, who requires more care than normally provided by a family practitioner or pediatrician in an outpatient clinical setting, has any mental health issues or receives any type of special education (including speech therapy).

Q: Who must enroll in the EFMP program?
A: Active Duty Military, Active Guard Reserve and other USAR Soldiers on active duty for more than 30 Days, Army National Guard Soldiers serving under authority of title 10 Code who have an EFM.

Q: Does enrollment in EFMP have any impact on the Soldier’s career?
A: Enrollment in EFMP does not adversely affect selection for promotion, schools or assignments. Enrollments must be kept current. Update is required every 33 months or as needed with new information.

**DERMATOLOGY CLINIC**

Q: What type of sunscreen should I purchase?
A: We recommend a sunscreen with an SPF (sun protective factor) of 30 or greater. Products labeled “broad spectrum” or UVA/UVB are better, and we generally recommend patients look for products containing Zinc Oxide or Titanium Dioxide. Reapplication should be approximately every 2 hours, or after wetting (which includes sweating), as there is no such thing as a waterproof sunscreen. For facial sunscreens, we recommend the product label reads “non-comedogenic”, which means that it won’t clog your pores.

Q: What can I do for dry skin?
A: While we don’t typically endorse specific brands, Dove Moisturizing Bar is the only pH balanced moisturizing bar that is widely available. If you struggle with dry skin, especially during the winter months, we recommend decreasing the temperature of your bath or shower and limiting to once daily. Soap should be lathered in your hands and we recommend avoiding washcloths, loofahs, and sponges. Upon exiting the bath, skin should be patted dry with a towel and an emollient moisturizing cream, not lotion, should be applied liberally to all areas prone to dryness.

Q: What is the best type of makeup / foundation to use if I have acne?
A: At a minimum, the product should state that it is “non-comedogenic”, which mean that it won’t clog your pores. All of your makeup should be non-greasy, non-irritating, hypoallergenic and oil-free if you have acne or blemish prone skin. The first ingredient in any liquid-based products should always be water. Mineral based powders are generally a safe bet.

**PHARMACY**

Q: How long is the wait time at the Pharmacy?
A: You will need to call the TRICARE line at 1-877-TRICARE (874-2273).
Q: Can I pick up my medication early?
A: Controlled substances cannot be picked up earlier than 1 day prior to when they are due. Non-controlled substances can be picked-up up to 7 days early.

Q: Where do I report for emergency services after hours?
A: For true emergencies (life, limb, or eyesight) it is advised that you call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room for treatment. For all other needs, please contact the Appointment Line at 315-772-2778 and your call will automatically be forwarded to the Nurse Advice Line.

Q: I would like to schedule a physical. What procedures do I need to complete?
A: Soldiers will require a physical if they are separating from service or if you are attending schools such as Airborne, Ranger, Special Forces. An up to date Periodic Health Assessment (PHA) is all that is required if you are attending SLC, ALC, or WLC (if Soldier is 40 and over you will require a current EKG). Audiology will be done a Clark Hall. Part I of your physical is accomplished on a WALK IN basis, however Soldiers must report to physical exams first to get a packet. Part II is a SCHEDULED appointment with your provider. All chapter physicals will require a memo completed and signed by the Soldier and his/her Commander and E5 or above escort.

Q: Can I schedule a Well-Woman exam?
A: Active Duty Soldiers now have the option to book Well-Woman exams at the OB/GYN Clinic with a female provider. Please call 315-785-4624 directly for appointment.

DEPARTMENT OF LABORATORY SERVICES
Q: How can I receive my lab results?
A: The laboratory does not give out any patient results. You will need to contact your provider or you can check Tricare online to receive your lab results. Your provider will have 72 hours or 3 business days to contact you if your routine lab work yields an abnormal result. You will be notified right away of any critical lab result which requires immediate action.

Q: How long will it take to get my test results?
A: Tests results are released to providers as soon as they are resulted. Outside providers will have the test results mailed or faxed on the next business day. Tests not performed on site may take up to 10-14 business days to return.

Q: What blood work am I having drawn?
A: This is a question your provider should have explained. They go over why they are ordering and what it will tell them. The LAB will only draw blood from a list of tests that was specifically ordered by your provider. We are only authorized to draw tests that were ordered by your provider within the last thirty days. The LAB staff is unaware of your medical history and cannot speculate or determine why a provider may be ordering a specific test on you.

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