



MEMORANDUM FOR SURGEON GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
SURGEON GENERAL OF THE NAVY  
SURGEON GENERAL OF THE AIR FORCE  
DIRECTOR, TRICARE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY  
NETWORK DIRECTORS (10N1-23)  
VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION CHIEF OFFICERS

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs  
(DoD-VA) Joint Incentive Fund (JIF) Projects

The Health Executive Council (HEC) has approved the DoD-VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund proposals for FY 2012. Selected projects with approved funding are consolidated on the attached list (Attachment 1). Projects that were not selected are shown at attachment (2). Due to the continuing resolution, funds allocation may be delayed a few months.

The HEC is responsible for ensuring the effectiveness and efficiency of the funded projects, and progress toward the originally stated aims, methods and results. To that end, Interim Project Reviews (IPRs) will be used for reporting this data.

IPRs will be conducted for all projects approved for FY 2012, in addition to those of previous fiscal years. IPRs should be jointly prepared by each site and should reflect a brief but accurate assessment of the projects' accomplishments and limitations during the funding period. The initial IPR will be due in the first quarter after JIF funding has been received, and quarterly thereafter throughout the funding period on the 15<sup>th</sup> of January, April, July and October using the template in Attachment 3. A final report will be completed within 30 days of the completion of the project using a template which will be provided at that time.

Please have the designated lead coordinator forward the jointly developed IPRs electronically using the enclosed template (Attachment 3) to Mr. Michael Gardner, [michael.gardner2@va.gov](mailto:michael.gardner2@va.gov). For further information and questions, Mr. Gardner may be reached at (202) 461-6514.

  
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Attachments:  
As stated

## FY 2012 JIF Projects Selected for Funding

Location/ Title	Service	VISN	Cost
325th MedGrp Tyndall/Gulf Coast HCS <i>(CT Scan)</i>	Air Force	16	\$1,518,000
366th MedGrp Mountain Home/Boise VAMC <i>(Orthopedic Surgery)</i>	Air Force	20	\$4,384,000
673rd MedGrp Elmendorf/Alaska HCS <i>(Cardiology)</i>	Air Force	20	\$892,000
96th MedGrp Eglin/Gulf Coast HCS <i>(MRI Technicians)</i>	Air Force	16	\$759,000
DoD/VA National <i>(Medical Terminology Standardization)</i>	National	N	\$1,690,000
Kenner AHC Fort Lee/Richmond VAMC <i>(Women's Health)</i>	Army	6	\$700,000
NH Beaufort/Charleston VAMC <i>(Mobile MRI)</i>	Navy	7	\$2,274,000
NHC Charleston/Charleston VAMC <i>(Ophthalmology Clinic)</i>	Navy	7	372,000
NMC Portsmouth/Hampton VAMC <i>(Family Assistance)</i>	Navy	6	\$1,413,000
Tripler AMC/Pacific Island VAHCS <i>(Social Work Coordination Care)</i>	Army	21	\$743,000
Tripler AMC/Pacific Island VAHCS <i>(Multidisciplinary Breast Center)</i>	Army	21	\$780,000
Tripler AMC/Pacific Island VAHCS <i>(Safe Patient Handling)</i>	Army	21	\$3,054,000
Tripler AMC/Pacific Island VAHCS <i>(Sleep Disorder Center)</i>	Army	21	\$1,436,000
William Beaumont AMC/El Paso VAHCS <i>(Endoscopy Center)</i>	Army	18	\$5,683,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$25,698,000</b>

Attachment 1

## FY 2012 JIF Projects Not Selected for Funding

Location/ Title	Service	VISN	Cost
<b>Madigan AMC/Puget Sound HCS (<i>Pain Management</i>)</b> This project scored just under the minimum score of selection. The Financial Management Work Group recommends that it should be resubmitted in the next call for proposals.	Army	20	\$7,722,000
<b>DoD/VA National (<i>Pandemic Influenza</i>)</b> This project did not achieve the minimum score based on established scoring criteria. Specifically, the proposal scored low in the categories associated with improving quality of care and access to care, and return on investment. The Financial Management Work Group also felt that Influenza immunization programs are a mission of both departments and should not be funded using JIF.	National	N	\$1,711,000
<b>Madigan AMC/Puget Sound HCS (<i>Telehealth-Based Care</i>)</b> This project did not achieve the minimum score based on established scoring criteria. The primary focus of this project is research and as such scored low in most categories.	Army	20	\$2,352,000
<b>Tripler AMC/Pacific Island VAHCS (<i>Nursing Simulation Center</i>)</b> This project did not achieve the minimum score based on established scoring criteria. This proposal's main focus is on training and while it does cite quality of care through improved staff competency, it doesn't identify specific outcomes or tie performance measures to the outcomes.	Army	21	\$3,488,000
<b>Tripler AMC/Pacific Island VAHCS (<i>Joint Venture Sharing Office</i>)</b> This project did not achieve the minimum score based on established scoring criteria. The proposal identifies an unrealistic return on investment, and doesn't clearly define how the stated total was achieved. This project appears to focus on management and may well be redundant to efforts conducted by existing DoD and VA sharing offices.	Army	21	\$592,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$15,865,000</b>

Attachment 2