

# NCI Office of Data Sharing Salutes Veterans and Service Members: Initiatives and Update

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The NCI Office of Data Sharing (ODS) salutes current and former service members, and their families. We are deeply grateful for your leadership and service, as well as the dedication of those at the NIH who serve as stewards of biomedical research. ODS remains committed to providing resources that advance scientific discovery.

On this occasion, ODS highlights resources for veterans to aid in the <u>transition-to-civilian</u> <u>life</u>, employment, and clinical study opportunities. NIH employs 1,055 veterans, and according to the <u>Census Bureau</u>, there are more than 16 million veterans across the U.S. The NIH Office of Human Resources (OHR) provides valuable information for <u>veterans</u> and <u>spouses</u> looking to transition into government positions at NIH. Collaborative efforts between NIH, the US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), and the Department of Defense (DoD) focus on understanding veterans' health issues and discovering new treatment modalities.

The NIH-VA initiative, IN-DEPTH (Investigative Deep Phenotyping), examines Gulf War Illness, which affects veterans with symptoms like respiratory issues, muscle and joint pain, digestive problems, and cognitive difficulties. Another initiative, the Pain Management Collaboratory (PMC), is a multisite clinical trials collaboration with the VA and DoD, focused on exploring non-pharmacological approaches for veterans with chronic pain. PMC aims to identify effective, non-addictive treatments for these individuals.

These initiatives represent a portion of NIH's ongoing commitment to veterans' health research. NIH encourages its veteran community to connect, with senior veterans invited to mentor those newly transitioning to civilian federal employment. Let's continue to support each other and advance impactful scientific discoveries for our veterans.

### **Update**

#### New FAQs on NIH Security Best Practices Guide Notice Now Available

New FAQs have been posted to address questions related to the <u>NIH Security Best</u> <u>Practices Guide Notice</u> published in July 2024. These FAQs clarify which repositories fall within the scope of the Guide Notice and explain how approved users can comply with the updated NIH Security Best Practices. <u>Please see the new FAQs here</u>.

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