

Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization

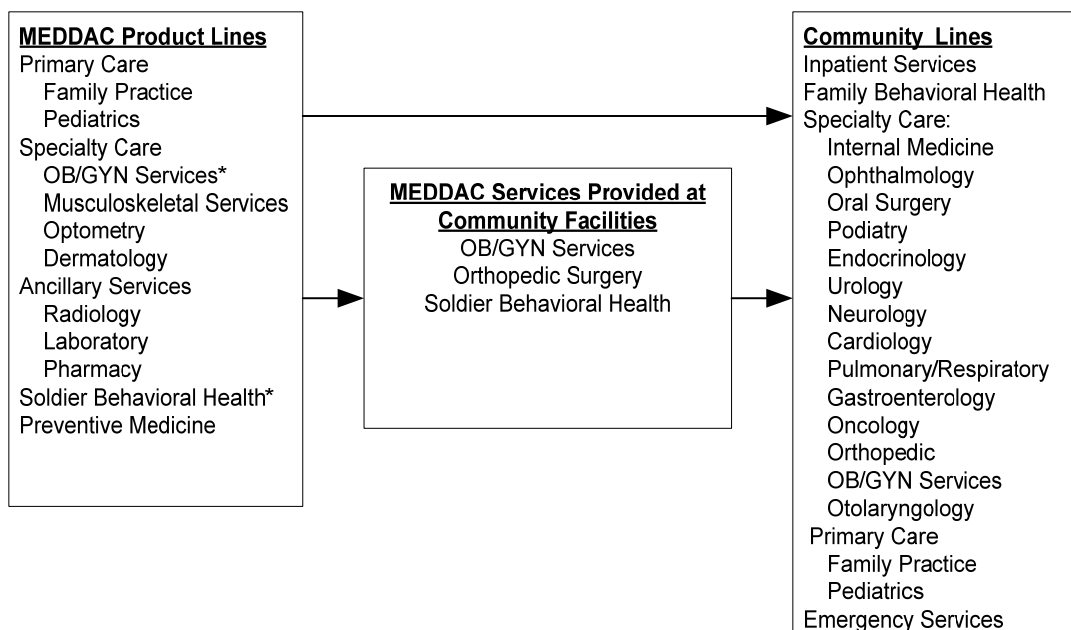
The Fort Drum Healthcare System: A Military-Community Partnership

Fort Drum is home to the most-deployed team of military fighting men and women in the United States Army. Mobilization at Fort Drum is swift and efficient, due to a master-planned state-of-the-art installation design. This includes a well-planned healthcare delivery system designed to provide the most efficient, cost-effective, and high quality set of health services to the over 38,000 DoD beneficiaries residing in the Fort Drum health service area.

The healthcare delivery model at Fort Drum is a military-community partnership that joins the Army medical treatment facility (MTF) with community providers to augment the MTF's primary care capability with specialty care and inpatient services. The model evolved from planned community integration when the 10th Mountain Division was reactivated in the early 1980s, which included community-based housing, schools, and healthcare. This unique healthcare model has created multiple opportunities for innovative partnerships to provide high-quality, flexible healthcare solutions. It is a system that can react, and act, based upon the needs of 10th Mountain Division soldiers and their families.

The Fort Drum Healthcare System Model

- ★ Maximizes a combination of MEDDAC health services provided on the installation, community health services, and MEDDAC services provided in community-based civilian facilities, bringing the greatest benefit to service members and their families and to the civilian populations residing in surrounding communities.



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- ★ Provides the highest percentage of purchased in-patient care within its health service area among comparison bases (92%)
- ★ Allows for multiple innovative partnerships and flexible solutions to meet emerging healthcare needs of soldiers and families
- ★ Results in high-quality, cost-effective care, which meets or exceeds other stateside institutions, through a range of services provided by a local physician base that is 95% TRICARE credentialed
- ★ Provides healthy birth outcomes, which exceed both state and national standards, for the more than 750 babies born to 10th Mountain Soldiers each year
- ★ Has a significant economic impact on the surrounding communities: the 5 hospitals in the Fort Drum health service area create 3860 jobs and a combined economic impact of \$373 million on the local economy

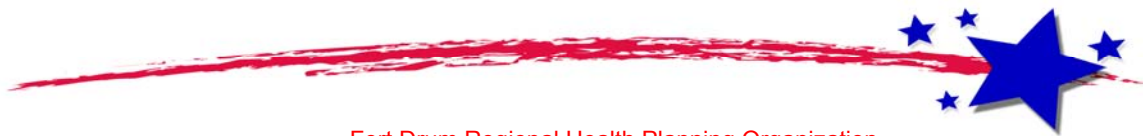
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The Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization (FDRHPO), initiated and supported by Congressman John M. McHugh, originated out of a Department of Defense 721 pilot program for healthcare delivery. The FDRHPO provides a platform to analyze the existing healthcare delivery options and to seek new opportunities for leveraging healthcare resources to carry out a regional healthcare approach and meet the needs of the expanding military population in the Fort Drum Health Service Area, significantly strengthening the healthcare system.

Accomplishments: Community Commitment and Investment in Fort Drum Healthcare System Growth

- ★ More than \$84 million in master-planned upgrades to the five hospitals in the Fort Drum health service area to meet the needs of a growing population of soldiers and families
- ★ \$500,000 annual commitment from New York State to address behavioral health needs of soldiers' families
- ★ Four newly licensed and operational outpatient mental health clinics to address growing needs
- ★ Over \$2 million secured for technology infrastructure upgrades to connect the Fort Drum MEDDAC to healthcare facilities and clinics surrounding the installation to improve access to care
- ★ \$70,000+ invested in gap analyses by the Fort Drum Regional Liaison Organization and Health Net Federal Services to identify growing needs for strategic health planning
- ★ Mobilization of \$580,000+ in community resources and investment for physician and allied health professional recruitment in the Fort Drum Region

To the community surrounding Fort Drum, 10th Mountain Division soldiers are not just America's soldiers; they are "our" soldiers, our neighbors, our friends, and our families. The North Country Healthcare System is 100% committed to taking care of our men and women who serve. The Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization is the platform that ensures the commitment translates into action.



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