



USAMRDC Good News Story



U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command

USACEHR Takes History, Results to WRAIR

- On July 15, the USAMRDC held a deactivation ceremony for the U.S. Army Center for Environmental Health Research prior to its absorption into the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research.
- USACEHR's absorption into WRAIR comes as part of an Army-wide reorganization effort.
- USACEHR was inaugurated in 1972 as the U.S. Army Medical Bioengineering Research and Development Laboratory, and gained prominence by supplying cutting-edge research and forward-leading knowledge products.
- Notable successful projects from USACEHR include the development of a fish biomonitoring system to determine toxicity levels in water bodies and teaming with NASA and SpaceX to study the impact of microgravity on bone density.
- All active and funded current research projects –along with the majority of USACEHR employees– will move to WRAIR during the absorption process.



Clockwise from top left: USACEHR logo; Staffers pack documents prior to the USACEHR deactivation ceremony; Staffers during the USACEHR deactivation ceremony on July 15 (photos by USAMRDC PAO).

OUTCOME: By streamlining scientific efforts, the Army is able to shift USACEHR to a more suitable home – further ensuring the USAMRDC's efforts to stay on the cutting-edge of science and technology. This move will provide a greater value to both the Army and the American people.