

JESSE BROWN VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER

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General

Jesse Brown Veterans Affairs Medical Center (JBVAMC) is one of seven VA health care facilities comprising the Veterans Integrated Service Network 12 (VISN 12). The other six VA facilities are: Hines VA Hospital, located in Hines, Illinois; Iron Mountain VAMC located in Iron Mountain, Michigan; Madison VAMC, located in Madison, Wisconsin; Milwaukee VAMC, located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; North Chicago VAMC, located in North Chicago, Illinois; and Tomah VAMC, located in Tomah, Wisconsin.

In June 1996 the two Chicago-VA Medical Centers – Lakeside and Chicago West Side – were integrated under a single management structure and named the VA Chicago Health Care System. Prior to the merger and since they were originally opened in the early and middle 1950s, the two hospitals had been operating as independent tertiary care medical centers. In August 2003, Chicago Lakeside inpatient services were discontinued and all JBVAMC inpatients are now treated at the former Chicago West Side. In May 2004, the VA Chicago Health Care System was renamed the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center.

JBVAMC is a tertiary care medical center that annually provides care to 43,400 veterans, most of whom reside in Cook County, Illinois and Lake County, Indiana. The medical center now has 184 inpatient operating hospital beds and in fiscal year 2006 treated approximately 5,500 inpatients and accommodated approximately 530,000 outpatient visits. JBVAMC operates four community based outpatient clinics: Lakeside at 333 E. Huron, Chicago, Illinois; Adam Benjamin, Jr. in Crown Point, Indiana; Chicago Heights in Chicago Heights, Illinois; and Auburn-Gresham, on the southside of Chicago, Illinois. As of the date of this Official Statement, JBVAMC's main campus had approximately 1,855 full-time employees and 200 regularly scheduled volunteers, and an annual budget of \$236,672,875 for the Department's fiscal year ending September 30, 2007.

The University of Illinois at Chicago – College of Medicine and Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine are JBVAMC's primary academic affiliates.

Mission

The mission of JBVAMC is to serve America's veterans and their families with dignity and compassion and to be their principal advocate in ensuring that they receive the care, support and recognition earned in service to this nation.

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Employment Levels

The following table presents the total number of full time employees in various categories serving JBVAMC in fiscal years 2003-2007. Fiscal year 2003 and 2004 figures in the following tables reflect that in August 2003 Chicago Lakeside inpatient services were discontinued and all JBVAMC inpatients are now treated at JBVAMC.

Fiscal Year	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Total Number of Physicians	1207	130	107	214	221
Total Number of Nursing Staff (Registered Nurses, Certified Registered Nurses, Anesthetists, Licensed Practical Nurses, and Nursing Assistants)	352	390	422	462	472
All Other Clinical Faculty	340	365	407	664	716
Administrative Personnel	594	575	656	498	498
Total Medical Care Faculty	1,406	1,460	1,592	1,855	1,907
Number of Assigned Medical Care Collections Fund Employees (Third Party collections)	17	17	17	17	17

Workload

	Fiscal Year				
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Budgeted Hospital Operating Beds	209	205	188	184	184
Average Daily Census	167	137	116	118	118
Occupancy Rate	80%	67%	62%	64%	64%
Inpatients Treated	9,175	7,725	6,900	5,519	6,643
Outpatient Visits	329,000	355,000	368,000	530,325	530,625
Psychiatric Residential Treatment Beds	18	18	18	40	40

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DEPARTMENT MEDICAL PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

<u>Federal Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Appropriation (000's)</u>	<u>Percent Increase</u>
1980	\$ 5,832,039	—
1981	6,339,396	8.7
1982	7,101,028	12.0
1983	7,773,254	9.5
1984	8,244,414	6.1
1985	8,941,169	8.5
1986	9,130,137	2.1
1987	9,728,203	6.6
1988	10,151,387	4.4
1989	10,887,671	7.3
1990	11,436,306	5.0
1991	12,335,330	7.9
1992	13,625,685	10.5
1993	14,645,723	7.5

1994	15,640,150	6.8
1995	16,147,994	3.2
1996	16,551,048	2.5
1997	17,013,447	2.8
1998	17,723,975	4.2
1999	17,818,771	0.5
2000	19,462,191	9.2
2001	20,949,897	7.6
2002	23,095,919	10.2
2003	25,451,141	10.2
2004	28,438,915	11.7
2005	31,035,210	9.1
2006	31,050,658	<.1
2007	31,511,133	1.5

The portion of such federal appropriations allocated to JBVAMC for operating and maintenance support during the past 19 years has been tied to clinical workload. The following table shows the amount from the federal appropriation allocated by the Department to JBVAMC for operating and maintenance support since 1985.

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JBVAMC ALLOCATIONS		
<u>Federal Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Operating and Maintenance Support</u>	<u>Percent Increase</u>
1985	\$89,425,574 ¹	
1986	92,191,314 ¹	3.1
1987	95,042,592 ¹	3.1
1988	97,982,053 ¹	3.1
1989	101,012,426 ¹	3.1
1990	104,136,522 ¹	3.1
1991	107,357,239 ¹	3.1
1992	110,677,566 ¹	3.1
1993	114,100,583 ¹	3.1
1994	117,629,467 ¹	3.1
1995	121,267,492	3.1
1996	121,466,581	.2
1997	127,657,340	5.1
1998	117,562,282 ²	-7.9
1999	117,742,615	.2
2000	121,164,710	2.9
2001	125,559,810	3.7
2002	128,817,087	3.7
2003	164,649,915	27.8
2004	178,784,471	6.2
2005	198,515,921	11.0
2006	228,188,712	14.9
2007	236,672,875	3.7

¹ Exact appropriations for the years 1985 through 1994 are not readily available and are based on an estimated budget allocation for those years, which includes an estimated annual escalation factor of 3.1%.

² The budget reduction in fiscal year 1998 is the result of the Department's changing its Resource Allocation Model to the Veterans Equitable Resources Allocation Model. The reduction affected all of the Department's health care facilities.

Energy Purchased by VA:

The following table presents amount of chilled water, electricity and steam purchased by the Department in respect to the energy generated from the Chicago Westside Energy Center in fiscal year 2005 and 2007:

FY	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Electricity	\$ 804,000	\$ 768,621	\$895,760
Steam	\$ 1,466,000	\$1,524,557	\$2,119,385
Chilled Water	<u>\$ 653,000</u>	<u>\$ 714,715</u>	<u>\$746,715</u>
Total electricity, steam, and chilled water	\$ 2,923,000	\$3,007,894	\$3,761,860