

Appendix A-2

Project Funding

**NOTES ON TABLE OF SPENDING FOR
GULF WAR VETERANS' ILLNESSES RESEARCH**

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General

1. All entries for research funding reflect money centrally committed to researchers (both intramural and extramural) to carry out the specific projects. These funds do not cover operational costs for administration, infrastructure, etc. Each department allocates these costs in slightly different ways making it difficult to accurately account for these funds. For example, in VA the research appropriation does not pay for clinician/investigator salaries. By law those funds must come from the patient care appropriation.
2. A "blank" funding entry generally reflects years in which a project was not active (e.g. it had not started or it had come to an end).
3. Some multiyear projects receive all of their funding in the fiscal year of the authorization and appropriation. For those, the dollars authorized and appropriated are shown for that fiscal year. The remaining funding entries show \$0 for the years that the project is active.
4. Some intramural projects/programs are supported out of operational costs. For those projects \$0 is entered for the funds in the fiscal years that the project is active.
5. Programs consisting of multiple projects are represented in one of two ways depending on how funds are centrally allocated:
 - a. **Funds centrally allocated to the program:** These programs are shown in the table as a main program indicated by a project designation such as DoD-1, and projects in the program as DoD-1A, DoD-1B, etc. All funds are shown under the main program. Blank funding entries are shown for the individual projects.
 - b. **Funds centrally allocated to projects within a program:** These programs are only indicated by their projects without a main program identifier. For example, VA-2A and VA-2B.
6. Entries indicated by a "00" (e.g. DoD-00A) are initiatives or activities for which funds have been set aside. These may involve projects that are under peer review (e.g. DoD/VA neurobiology of stress initiative); projects approved but under negotiation; or set asides allocated for a new initiative such as DoD's University Research Initiative for which a solicitation has been issued.
7. Funds listed under FY'98 are only projections at this time.

Specific

1. DoD-4 and DoD-23 are parts of a larger US Army study and all funding is combined into project DoD-4. DoD-8A and 8B are also parts of a larger US Army study and all funding is combined and shown under program DoD-8.
2. Funds for FY'98 DoD-8A, 8B, and 12 are combined under DoD-12.
3. HHS-3 was funded from the FY'91 appropriation, which is not included in this accounting.
4. HHS-4 was funded from the FY'93 appropriation, which is not included in this accounting.
8. Funds for VA-1 for FY'94 through FY'97 represent an aggregate of funds for both the VA Mortality Study and the VA National Survey of Persian Gulf Veterans. Beginning in FY'98 VA-1 reflects continuation of the VA Mortality Study. Beginning in FY'98 VA-2A, 2B, and 2C reflect funding for separate components of the VA National Survey of Persian Gulf Veterans.