

USAMRMC Finds a New Name... and Home

Time to update your TATRC rolodexes, as TATRC's overarching command was both moved and renamed in an announcement during a Fort Detrick town hall meeting that took place on 31

May. Senior Army leaders redesignated the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (USAMRMC) to the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command (USAMRDC), as well as realigned MRDC from the Army Materiel Command (AMC) to be under the newly inaugurated Army Futures Command (AFC).

"This is a very exciting opportunity," said USAMRDC and Fort Detrick Commanding General at the time of the transition, MG Barbara R. Holcomb. "But we also need to continue all those same relationships we've had in the past as we look forward towards innovation and developing new technology." Following the town hall, Soldiers applied their new AFC shoulder patches in a symbolic show of identification with the new command.

Establishment of the Army Futures Command is the most significant Army



ARMY FUTURES COMMAND - WHO WE ARE

The **Army of 2028** will be ready to deploy, fight, and win decisively against any adversary, anytime and anywhere, in a joint, **multi-domain**, high-intensity conflict, while simultaneously deterring others and maintaining its ability to **conduct irregular warfare**. The Army will do this through the employment of **modern manned and unmanned ground combat vehicles**, aircraft, sustainment systems, and weapons, coupled with robust combined arms formations and tactics based on a modern warfighting doctrine and centered on exceptional **Leaders and Soldiers of unmatched lethality**. Above all else, we want to make sure Soldiers have what they need, before they need it, **to protect tomorrow...today**.

reorganization effort since 1973. Army Futures Command is the fourth Army Command and is tasked with driving the Army into the future to achieve clear overmatch in future conflicts. AFC, headquartered in Austin, Texas, declared its full operational capability in July 2019, after an initial one-year stand-up period.

Gen. John M. "Mike" Murray is the commander, Army Futures Command. He is responsible for leading a team of Soldiers and civilians to streamline the Army's modernization enterprise under a single command. The command

enhances efficiency and effectiveness in delivering the technology necessary to maintain the Army's competitive advantage and win wars.

TATRC Director, COL Jeremy Pamplin feels strongly that the alignment and AFC focus is perfect for where TATRC wants to go. TATRC is in "the right place at the right time. The AFC moto, 'Forge the Future,' reflects our own vision perfectly to develop and deliver quality medical capabilities to protect, treat, and sustain the health of our Service Members." ■■■