# **Equipment**



**Altitude Chamber** 



Blowing Rain Chamber



Hydraulic Crash Apparatus



Manual Crash Apparatus



Electromagnetic Interference Chamber



Environmental Climatic Chamber



Vibration Table



Settling Dust Chamber



JUH-60 Black Hawk Helicopter

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# **Airworthiness Testing Process**

- 1. Test request and requirements
- 2. Test Plan development
- 3. Laboratory testing
- 4. Test Airworthiness Release (AWR)
- 5. Rotary-wing Flight Test
- 6. Medical Risk Assessment
- 7. Fleet-wide AWR\*
- 8. Aeromedical Certification Memorandum (ACM)1
- 9. Airworthiness Eligibility (AWE)<sup>2</sup>
- <sup>1</sup> If approved
- <sup>2</sup> CRADA only

#### **Army Airworthiness Testing**









**Test Data** and Report

**Joint Airworthiness Testing** 







**Corresponding Certifying Agencies** 

#### **Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA)**









# **Airworthiness Testing**



- \* Rotary-wing Flight Testing
- **❖** Explosive Atmosphere\*
- ❖ Crash Hazard Acceleration\*
- ❖ Night Vision Devices (NVD)
- ❖ Electromagnetic Interference Emission\*
- ❖ Aircraft Noise Floor





- ❖ Baseline Performance Assessment\*
- ❖ Battery Life
- Electrical Safety
- ❖ Vibration\*
- Climatic\* (Temperature & Humidity)
- Low Pressure (Altitude)
- ❖ Blowing Sand / Dust / Rain\*
- Electromagnetic Interference Susceptibility\*



Additional capabilities include Rapid Decompression, Settling Dust & Transit Drop Test

\*Data exchanged with Wright-Patterson Air Force Base to support Safe-To-Fly Certification

#### **En Route Care Research**

### **Patient Protection**

- > Litter Enhancements for Reduced Vibration & Greater Comfort
- ➤ New Devices for Unique Evacuation **Environments**



# **Medical Interior**

- > Space & Design Requirements for **Critical Medical Tasks**
- ➤ Vehicle Ride Quality Health Effects of Jolt & Vibration

## **Medical Provider Performance**

- ➤ Task Saturation & Patient Care
- Enhanced Provider Awareness
- > Autonomous Patient Care **Documentation**















