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### **Research Project Summary**

**Code: DLC- 08-112**

**Subject areas: Operational Stress Injury, Military health**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Permission to use information collected in OSI Clinic services for research purposes.</b>
<b>Overview</b>	The Operational Stress Injury Clinic, located in Deer Lodge Centre, is a specialized interdisciplinary outpatient program, funded by Veterans Affairs Canada, that serves current and former Canadian Forces and Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) members and family who have concerns related to operational stress injuries. “Operational Stress Injury” is a term coined by the Canadian Forces to refer to any persistent psychological difficulty resulting from operational duties performed while serving in the Canadian Forces. Although not a medical diagnosis itself, the umbrella term “OSI” includes many psychiatric conditions including, but not limited to, posttraumatic stress disorder (i.e., PTSD), other anxiety disorders, depression, and substance or alcohol abuse.
<b>Objectives</b>	To use information routinely collected in the course of Operational Stress Injury (OSI) Clinic services for research purposes.
<b>Principal Investigator</b>	Dr. Jennifer C. Laforce
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<b>Location</b>	DLC, Operational Stress Injury Clinic
<b>Subject area</b>	Operational Stress Injury, Military health
<b>Methodology</b>	Surveys administered once every three months.
<b>Project timelines</b>	Unsure
<b>Potential benefit</b>	This information will be valuable for descriptive and correlational research regarding issues such as (a) common problems experienced by current and veteran Canadian Forces and RCMP members, (b) relationships among problems and measures, and (c) symptom changes with treatment.
<b>Status</b>	Ongoing
<b>Publications</b>	None as of Yet
<b>Last summary update</b>	March, 2009