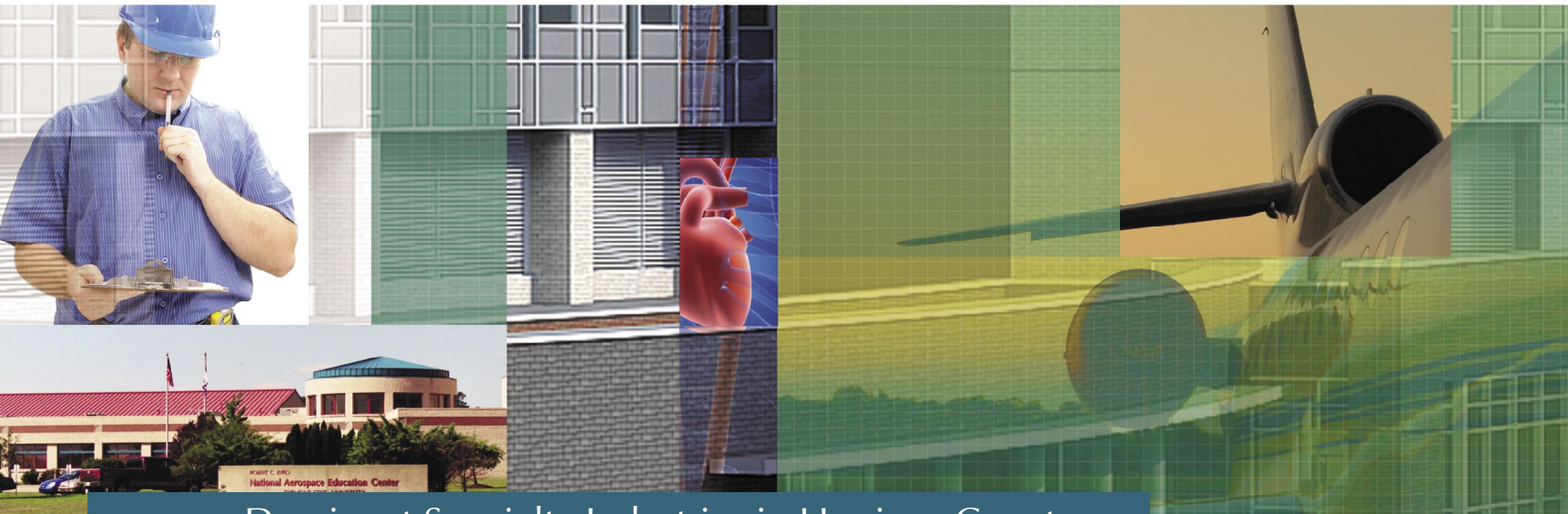


AHEAD OF THE CURVE

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Dominant Specialty Industries in Harrison County

Biometrics

We are the center of a network of Biometrics and Government agencies. Thousands of workers are employed in the Biometrics industry in Harrison County through:

- The Department of Defense Fusion Center
- The FBI Criminal Justice Information Services
- The Department of Army Biometrics Task Force

Aerospace

At the North Central West Virginia Airport, business is taking off. Offering one of the longest runways in West Virginia (7,000') and custom aerospace training programs, the Mid-Atlantic Aerospace Complex hosts nationally recognized companies including:

- Lockheed-Martin
- Bombardier Aerospace
- Pratt & Whitney
- Aurora Flight Sciences
- FMW Composite Systems
- KCI Aviation
- East Coast Army National Guard
Fixed Wing Training Base
- Engine Airframe Solutions
- Robert C. Byrd National Aerospace Center
- Robert C. Byrd Institute for Advanced Flexible
Manufacturing

Technology

Harrison County is a leading technology center in the state. Through the I-79 Technology Corridor, development is supported by a 9,000 mile network of carrier-grade fiber optic cable and various IT businesses.

Health Care

Harrison County is a destination healthcare center. We are currently home to the Veterans Administration Hospital and the United Hospital Center (UHC), who provides health services to a 12-county area. UHC has more than 15,000 admissions annually in addition to 370,000 outpatient visits, including 43,000 related to the emergency department alone.

United Hospital Center's new 289-bed facility, scheduled to open in spring 2010 will be located on Route 279 just off Exit 124 in Bridgeport. The 681,440 square foot, \$195 million facility will be the first hospital of this magnitude to be built in West Virginia in more than 20 years, keeping Harrison County at the forefront of healthcare technology in the state.