### 2015 Current Fiscal Year Report: Department of Defense Task Force on the Care, Management, and Transition of Recovering Wounded, III, and Injured Members of the Armed Forces

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1. Department or Agency				2. Fiscal	
•					Year
Department of D	efense				2015
			3b. GSA		
3. Committee or Subcommittee			Committee		
					No.
Department of D					
Management, ar				•	73690
Wounded, III, an Forces	d Injured Me	ember	s of	the Armed	
4. Is this New D	ouring 5. Cui	rrent	6. E	Expected	7. Expected
Fiscal Year?	Chart	er	•		Term Date
No	11/20/	/2012	11/	20/2014	
8a. Was Termin	nated During	8b. 9	•		8c. Actual
FiscalYear?	•	Terr		tion	Term Date
		Autl		•	
Yes		section 724 of Public			; 10/27/2014
		Law	111	-84	
9. Agency			10a. Legislation		10b.
Recommendation for Next		Req to Terminate?		erminate?	Legislation
FiscalYear					Pending?
Terminate		No		<b>,</b> 0	Not Applicable
11. Establishme		_			s Created)
12. Specific	_				14c.
Establishment		fectiv	e	Commitee	Presidential?
Authority		ite		Туре	
section 724 of P	ublic Law 10	/28/2	009	Continuing	No
<b>15. Description of Committee</b> Non Scientific Program Advisory					
Board					
16a. Total	No Reports	for			
Number of	this FiscalYear				
Reports					

17a. 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0 Open

### **Meetings and Dates**

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Federal Members	ψ0.00	ψυ.υυ
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to	\$0.00	\$0.00
Federal Members	ψ0.00	ψ0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to	\$0.00	\$0.00
Federal Staff	ψ0.00	ψ0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Member Consultants	ψ0.00	ψ0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Federal Members	ψ0.00	ψ0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0.00	\$0.00
Federal Members	ψ0.00	ψ0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0.00	\$0.00
Federal Staff	ψ0.00	ψ0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-member Consultants	Ψ0.00	ψυ.υυ
18c. Other(rents,user charges,	\$0.00	\$0.00
graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	Ψ0.00	ψυ.υυ
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years	0.00	0.00
(FTE)	0.00	0.00

# 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Task Force shall: (a) assess the effectiveness of the policies and programs developed and implemented by the Department of Defense, and by each of the Military Departments to assist and support the care, management, and transition of recovering wounded, ill, and injured members of the Armed Forces; and (b) make

recommendations for the continuous improvements of such policies and programs.In addition, each year the Task Force shall submit its recommendations to the Secretary of Defense, and within 90 days the Secretary of Defense shall forward the Task Forces' report and the Secretary's comments to the Committees on Armed Services for the Senate and the House of Representatives.

## 20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Department of Defense determines the actual membership based upon criteria established in the advisory committee's enabling legislation (section 724 of Public Law 111-84).

## 20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Task Force will hold 6 committee meetings and 14 site visits for FY14.

# 20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The Department of Defense Task Force on the Care, Management, and Transition of Recovering Wounded, III, and Injured Members of the Armed Forces was directed by an Act of Congress (section 724 of Public Law 111-84).

# 20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Meetings are not closed to the public unless the Department of Defense determines that items on the planned agenda meet the closed meeting provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c). Pursuant to DoD policy closed meetings can only be authorized by the DoD Sponsor (i.e., the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness), and only

after consultation with the Office of the Department of Defense General Counsel.

#### 21. Remarks

The Task Force is scheduled to terminate October 27, 2014. Task Force Members were initially appointed 6 January 2011 with reappointment on 27 January 2012, 19 Jan 2013. and 13th March 2014. Task Force officially chartered 18 November 2010. The charter was then renewed on 20 November 2012. The Task Force has successfully submitted to DoD reports on 3 September 2011, 3 September 2012, and 3 September 2013. There are no subcommittee members.

#### **Designated Federal Officer**

Denise F. Dailey DFO/Executive Director

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Constantine, Justin	03/13/2014	11/19/2014	Subject matter expert as a wounded veteran of service in Iraq. Marine Reserve lawyer.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Crockett-Jones, Suzanne	09/03/2010	11/19/2014	Family member of a wounded veteran.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
DeJong, Steven	05/17/2011	11/19/2014	United States Army National Guard	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Drach, Ronald	09/03/2010	11/19/2014	Career in the Department of Labor and Veteran Service Organizations brings experience in PTSD treatment and veteran's disability to the Task Force.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Eudy, Alex	12/06/2012	11/19/2014	US Special Operations Command Care Coalition Liaison Officer	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Keane, Sean	09/03/2011	11/19/2014	Reserve representative with the United States Marine Corps Reserves	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Malebranche, Karen	01/27/2012	11/19/2014	Chief Officer for Intergovernmental Affairs in the Veterans Health Administration at Department	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Mustion, Richard	12/06/2012	11/19/2014	Commanding General, U. S. Army Human Resources Command	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Nathan, Matthew	12/06/2012	11/19/2014	Surgeon General of the U. S. Navy	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Phillips, Steven	09/03/2010	11/19/2014	National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Rehbein, David	09/03/2010	11/19/2014	Former National Commander of the American Legion. Subject matter expert in veterans benefits.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Sanders, Robert	t 03/13/2014	11/19/2014	JAG, United States Navy	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Stone, Richard	03/13/2014	11/19/2014	Medical Professional	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Wong, Theodore	03/13/2014	11/19/2014	United States Marine Corps WWR liaison	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 14** 

#### **Narrative Description**

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## What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked if	
	Applies	
Improvements to health or safety		✓
Trust in government		✓
Major policy changes		✓
Advance in scientific research		
Effective grant making		
Improved service delivery		✓
Increased customer satisfaction		✓
Implementation of laws or regulatory		1
requirements		( <b>X</b> .)
Other		✓

#### **Outcome Comments**

The Task Force is providing important information about the service provided to the wounded ill and injured members of the Armed Forces.

### What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
None	
Unable to Determine	✓
Under \$100,000	
\$100,000 - \$500,000	
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	
Over \$10,000,000	

#### **Cost Savings Comments**

It is not able to be determined at this time as there are no comparable activities.

What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

87

#### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

The Advisory Committee submitted 21 recommendations during the 2010-2011 year. During the 2011-2012 year, the Advisory Committee submitted a further 35 recommendations. During the 2012-2013 year, the Advisory Committee submitted and additional 21 recommendations. The Advisory Committee issued 10 recomendations at the July 2014 business meeting which will be provided in the Annual Report being published on 2 September 2014. The Advisory Committee will have issued a total of 87 recommendations over the last four years.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency?

21%

#### % of Recommendations <u>Fully</u> Implemented Comments

21 Recommendations were submitted September 2nd 2011. Another 35 Recommendations were submitted September 3rd 2012. On September 3rd, 2013, an additional 21 recommendations were submitted. A total of 16 recommendations were fully implemented.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency?

79%

### % of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

21 Recommendations were submitted September 2nd 2011. Another 35 Recommendations were submitted September 3rd 2012. On September 3rd, 2013, an additional 21 recommendations were submitted. A total of 61 recommendations the Task Force continues to follow or continues to address. This also includes those recommendations of non-concurrance by DoD.

Does the agency provide the committee	with feedback regarding actions taken to
implement recommendations or advice of	offered?
Yes No Not Applicable	
Agency Feedback Comments	
Secretary of Defense is required to provide	a 90 day evaluation and a 180 day
implementation plan for the task force recon	nmendations. These documents are submitted
to the Congressional Oversight committees.	
What other actions has the agency taken	as a result of the committee's advice or
recommendation?	
	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	✓
Reallocated resources	✓
Issued new regulation	<b>✓</b>
Proposed legislation	<b>✓</b>
Approved grants or other payments	
Other	
Action Comments	
In addition to standardizing care and promo	ting parity across the Services, written policy
marshals resources, facilitates information f	low between DoD and the Services, and
·	shing new regulations in response to the task
	ize priorities, reallocate resources, and results
in less need for legislative intervention.	
<b>Is the Committee engaged in the review o</b> No	of applications for grants?
Grant Review Comments	
The Task Force does not do grants review.	
How is access provided to the information	on for the Committee's documentation?
	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	✓
Online Agency Web Site	✓
Online Committee Web Site	<b>✓</b>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	✓

Publications	✓
Other	✓

### **Access Comments**

The Task Force engages in significant outreach to include stakeholders.