

The seal of the Defense Health Board is a circular emblem. It features a central figure of a caduceus (a staff with two snakes and wings) superimposed on a map of the United States. The words "DEFENSE" and "HEALTH BOARD" are written in a circular path around the central image. Two stars are positioned on the left and right sides of the inner circle.

Trauma and Injury Subcommittee

Theater Trauma Lessons Learned

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Membership

Trauma and Injury Subcommittee

- James (Jim) Bagian, MD, PE
- CAPT (Ret) Brad Bennett, PhD, NREMT-P, FAWM
- CAPT (Ret) Frank Butler, Jr., MD
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- Norman McSwain, Jr., MD, FACS
- CAPT Edward (Mel) Otten, MD, FACMT, FAWM
- CAPT (Ret) Peter Rhee, MD, MPH



Tasking

Summarize lessons learned in trauma care in Iraq and Afghanistan, and propose a “strategy for preserving these lessons in future conflicts.”

- Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Memo dated January 20, 2013



Timeline

- Meetings to Date:
 - January 25, 2013 – Meeting in DHHQ
 - Reviewed background materials
 - Identified potential lessons learned
 - Discussed way forward
 - October 29, 2013 – Teleconference
 - Reviewed potential lessons learned
 - Established a way forward



Ideas of Interest

- Systems Level Advances
 - Maintain skills and advances and preserve lessons learned
- Prehospital Care/Tactical Combat Casualty Care
- En-route Care
 - En-route Care (TACEVAC)
 - En-route Care (Intra-theater)
 - En-route Care (STRATEVAC)
- Fixed Facility Care



Way Forward

- December 2013
 - Teleconference
 - Review draft report
 - Finalize individual advances in trauma care

- 2014
 - Continue monthly meetings or teleconferences
 - Assemble findings and begin deliberation of recommendations



Questions?