

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 map is light blue and green. The caduceus is gold. The entire emblem is set within a purple ring with a yellow border. The word "DEFENSE" is written in white capital letters along the top arc of the purple ring, and "HEALTH BOARD" is written along the bottom arc. Two white stars are positioned on the left and right sides of the purple ring.

Health Care Delivery Subcommittee

**Advancement and Sustainment of
Amputee Care**

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Overview

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Membership

Health Care Delivery Subcommittee

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**Nominee Pending Authorization*



Tasking

“Review the full spectrum of amputee care, and define a strategy for preserving and continuing these advancements, identifying the best possible care to our beneficiaries.”

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



Timeline

(1 of 3)

Meetings since November 2013 Board meeting:

- December 18-19 2013 – Meeting in San Antonio
 - Site visit of the Center for the Intrepid and the Institute for Surgical Research Burn Center

- January 13, 2014 – Teleconference

- February 10-11, 2014 – Site Visit to San Diego
 - Site visit of the Comprehensive Combat and Complex Casualty Care Program and the Naval Health Research Center



Timeline

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Meetings since November 2013 Board meeting:

- March 17, 2014 – Teleconference
- April 28, 2014 – Teleconference
- May 21-22, 2014 – Meeting at DHHQ
 - Meetings with the Department of Veterans Affairs and several civilian, Federal, and DoD briefers



Timeline

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Upcoming Meetings:

- June 9-10 – Meeting at DHHQ
 - Meetings with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs and the Joint Staff Surgeon
 - Review and discuss draft report and recommendations

- June 30 – Teleconference
 - Meeting with Trauma and Injury Subcommittee to discuss overlap and parallels between the subcommittees' two taskings



WRNMMC MATC Gym

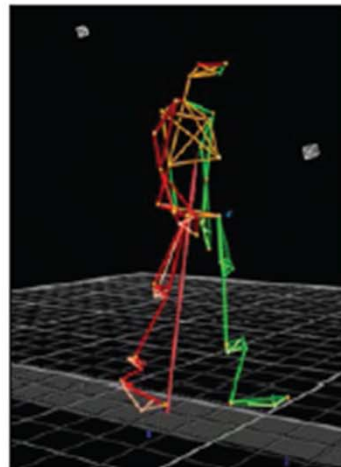


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Walking



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C5 Prosthetics

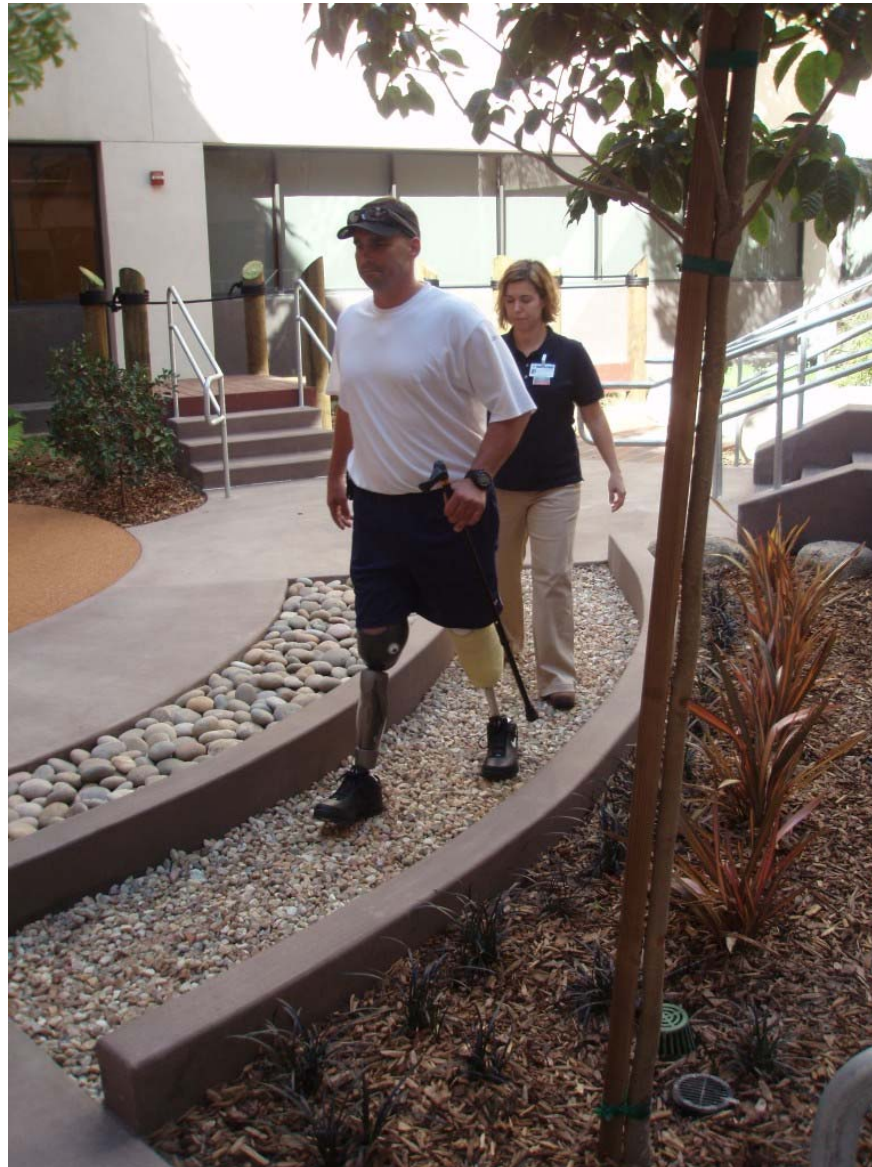


Source: Town, J. L. (2014). RE: DHB Request for Photos of C5 Amputee Care Facilities. K. E. Badger. Electronic mail.



C5

Terrain Acclimatization



Source: Town, J. L. (2014). RE: DHB Request for Photos of C5 Amputee Care Facilities. K. E. Badger. Electronic mail.



CFI: Computer Assisted Rehabilitation Environment



Source: Rabago, C. A. (2014). RE: CFI photos. K. E. Badger. Electronic mail.



Activities of Daily Living Apartment





Areas of Interest

- **Current Environment**
 - Current DoD amputee care infrastructure, functions and vision of approach to care, as well as international awareness.
- **Collaboration**
 - Potential partnerships with VA, HHS, NIH, civilian partners, academic centers and others.
- **Models**
 - The Institute of Surgical Research Burn Center as a potential model.
- **Technology**
 - Use of technology and simulation to maintain skills.
- **Research, Data and Surveillance**
 - Current state and gaps in both clinical and technological areas.
- **Future Need**
 - Necessary patient load to sustain expertise and capabilities;
 - Current amputee population as they age.



Way Forward

- Continue monthly teleconferences and meetings;
- Information gathering through summer, 2014;
- Assemble findings and determine recommendations
- Compose, edit, and review report language; and
- Estimated draft report for November 2014 DHB meeting.



Questions?