



Wounded Warrior Regiment

Command Brief

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Briefer:

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Operations Officer

Wounded Warrior Regiment Mission

Our Mission

Provides leadership and ensures compliance with laws and DoD regulations related to the support, recovery, and non-medical care of combat and non-combat Wounded, Ill, and Injured (WII) Marines, sailors attached to Marine units, and their family members in order to maximize their recovery as they return to duty or transition to civilian life.

(per NDAA 08/10, DODI 1300.24)

- Serves the total force – active duty, reserve, retired, and veteran Marines.
- The only official Marine Corps unit charged with providing non-medical care to WII Marines.

Our Population



Wound

- IED Blast
- Gunshot
- Traumatic Brain Injury



Illness

- Cancer
- Chronic Illness
- Mental Health



Injury

- Training Accident
- Vehicle Accident
- Post Traumatic Stress



Locations and Capabilities

 **Wounded Warrior Regiment Headquarters**

 **Wounded Warrior Battalions (East & West)**


 **Wounded Warrior Detachments**

 **District Injured Support Coordinators & Field Service Representatives**



Landstuhl



 **WWBn-West, Camp Pendleton, CA**
 Naval Medical Center San Diego, CA
 VA Polytrauma Center Palo Alto, CA
 Naval Hospital Twenty-nine Palms, CA
 Naval Health Clinic Kaneohe Bay, HI
 Camp Butler Okinawa, Japan

 **WWBn-East, Camp Lejeune, NC**
 Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, MD
 Ft Belvoir Community Hospital, Fairfax, VA
 San Antonio Military Medical Center, TX
 Naval Medical Center Portsmouth, VA
 VA Polytrauma Center Richmond, VA
 VA Polytrauma Center Tampa, FL
 Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Germany



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Population Demographics

(As of 10 January 2023)

Total Population
642 Ill and Injured

Supported: 684
42 Combat Wounded

INTERNAL POPULATION - 407

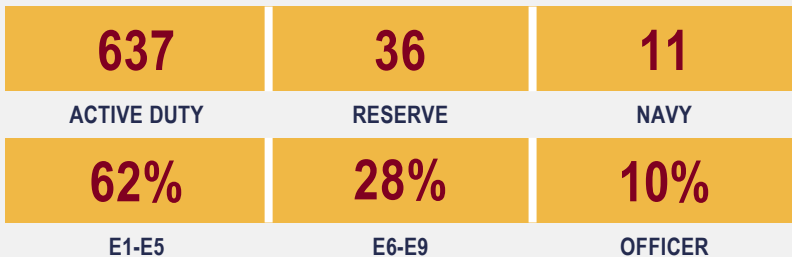
Marines and Sailors who are joined or TAD to a regiment element.

WWBn-E 212 WWBn-W 195

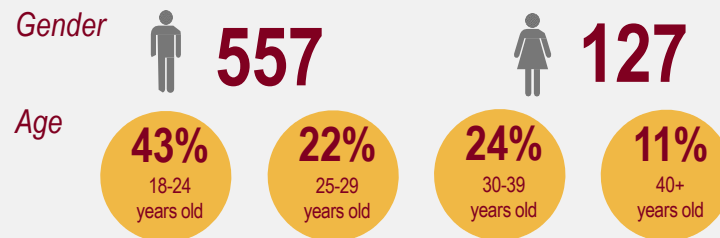
EXTERNAL POPULATION - 277

Marines or Sailors remaining with their parent units supported by RCC's aligned with battalion structure.

STATUS AND RANK



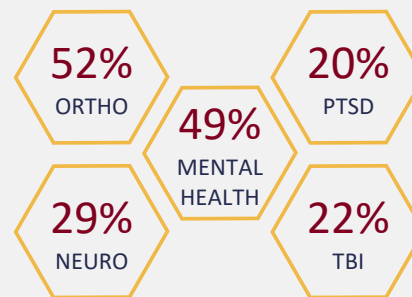
OVERALL DEMOGRAPHICS



BY THE NUMBERS

684	Marines and Sailors supported by Recovery Care Coordinators.
492	Marines currently supported by the Reserve Medical Entitlements Determination Section.
182	Disability retired and Veteran Marines receiving short term support from District Injured Support Coordinators (DISCs) and Field Service Representatives (FSRs).
448	Cases receiving Medical Section review and advocacy in the past month.
8	Claims processed by the TSGLI section in prior month.
24,838	Marines supported by the Wounded Warrior Call and Contact Centers.

MOST COMMON CONDITIONS



HIGH-VISIBILITY CASES





Issues / Updates

- Marine Corps Trials (MCT) : 1-13 March CAMPEN
- Medical Officers at Battalions
 - Credentialed WW Battalion Athletic Trainers
- Engaging with TMO, BUMED to improve MH provider resources to WII
- Seriously Mentally Ill (SMI)
 - Optimization of treatment and DES case processing (MEB & PEB)
- Disability Evaluation System (DES)
 - Timeliness of case processing for all Marines in MEB & PEB phases
 - ✓ USMC provided four additional adjudicators to PEB
 - ✓ Engaged with BUMED to review MEB phase business practices
 - Attention to variances in Service PEB dispositions (Sep / TDRL / PDRL)
- Identifying/tracking open referrals in coordination with EpiData Center
- Potential legislative issues
 - TRICARE coverage for reserve/guard members on Line of Duty Benefits
- Transition
 - Implement Personal Information release form upon EAS
 - Open the aperture on Skillbridge for DES personnel
 - Initiative to get RSMs with MH concerns virtual appt. w/ new VA MH provider prior to separation

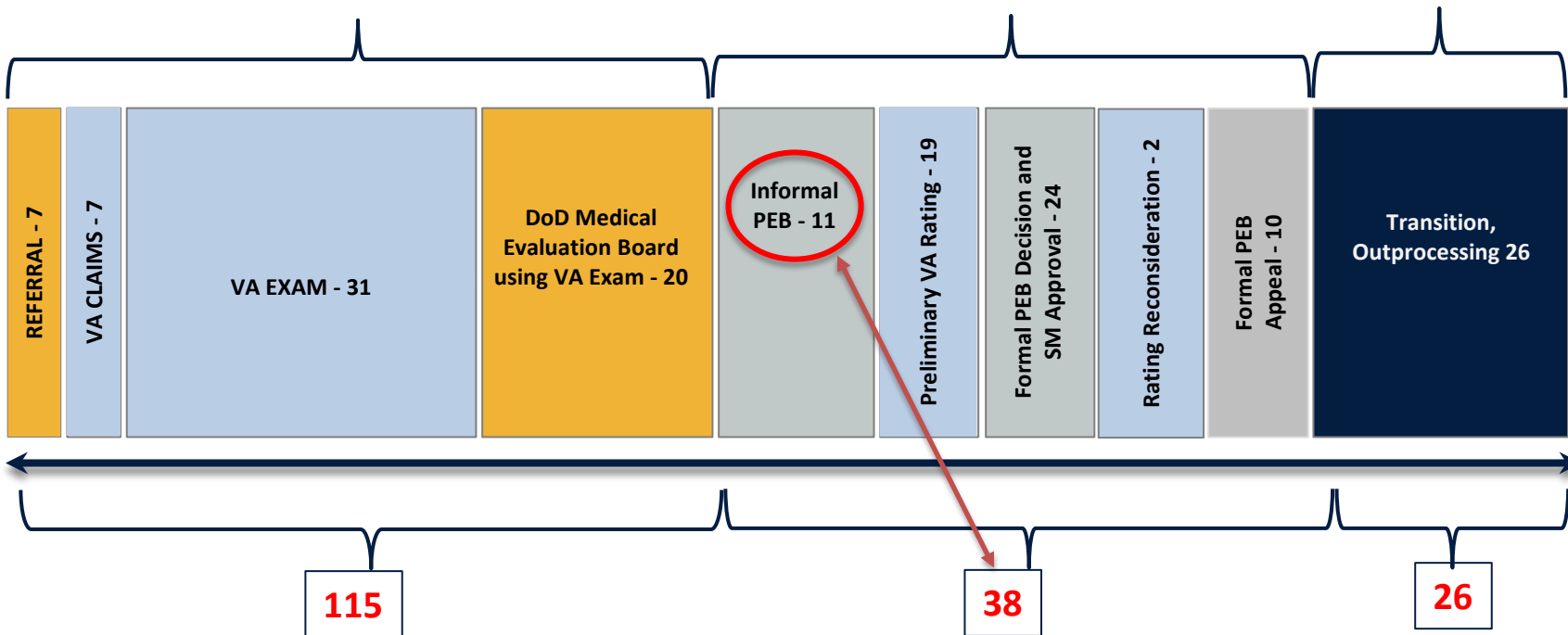
IDES 180 Day Processing Goal



MEB Phase
72 day goal

PEB Phase
82 day goal

Transition Time
26 day goal



Marine Corps actual cases processing times as of 31 DEC 2022 – 282 DAYS ↑

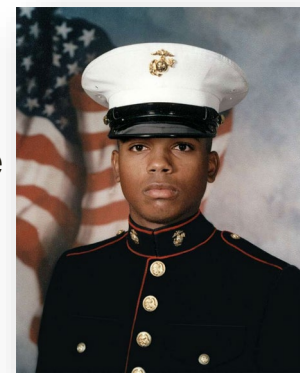
MTF VA PEB MMSR



Outreach and Veteran Support | WWCC

The Sergeant Merlin German Wounded Warrior Call Center (WWCC) is available 24/7 to make and receive calls and render assistance to RSMs, Marine veterans, and their families with:

- Benefits and Entitlements
- Counseling on a variety of issues
- GI Bill
- Traumatic Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance
- Employment/ Education
- Social Security Disability Insurance
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Awards (e.g., Purple Hearts)
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
- Veterans Administration
- IDES outreach during each phase



To support the active duty WII Marines who remain with or have returned to their parent command, each WWBn has a contact center. Hours for both Contact Centers are Mon - Fri from 1200-2000 (local time) excluding holidays.

Battalion - West Contact Center

(Area of Responsibility – West of the Mississippi River, including Japan, Guam and Hawaii)
Ph. 888-738-7044

Battalion - East Contact Center

(Area of Responsibility – East of the Mississippi River, including Europe and Texas)
Ph. 910-451-1202, 910-451-4812, 910-449-9573



Questions?