

# *Air Force Personnel Center*

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## *Air Force Wounded Warrior (AFW2) Program*

### **Leadership Brief**

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# ***Air Force Wounded Warrior Program***

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- **Congressional mandated, Air Force funded program...AFW2 is your Wound Warrior Program**
- **Program Eligibility:** Very Seriously, Seriously wounded, ill or injured determined by a DoD Medical Authority/Purple Heart Recipients.
- **Air Force Wounded Warrior** - Supports ~3K Total Force (TF) active cases & ~11K Vets; executes training camps/C.A.R.E events
- **Key service: Comprehensive Recovery Plan (CRP):** Plan helps guide warrior and family through their transition. The plan identifies goals, resources and what actions are required for wounded warrior to achieve their goals.
- **Commander/Leader's Role:**
  - Awareness of your enrolled Airmen/Guardians, Recovery Care Coordinator, AFW2 Program support available (AFW2 will reach out if you have a WII in your unit)
  - Facilitate helping agency collaboration (CC are a vital to the Care Management Team)
  - Support and encourage participation in recovery and rehabilitation opportunities
- **Questions/Information:** [www.woundedwarrior.af.mil/](http://www.woundedwarrior.af.mil/) or call Toll-free: 800-581-9437



# ***AFW2 Program Goals/Mission***

- **Mission:** AFW2 Provides personalized case management/support to seriously wounded, ill and injured Airmen/Guardians; to support them throughout their recovery/transition “back to duty”, separation, or retirement, ensuring they are well-equipped to manage challenges regardless of injury or illness.
- **Endstate:**
  - Wounded Warrior: Wounded Warrior that is self-sufficient & resilient and able to meet new challenges without AFW2 support
  - AFW2 (Organization): Flexible with the ability to adapt to current resource constraints or emerging environments while maintaining personalized service and current or higher level of case management/support to Wounded Warriors.
- **Goal:**
  - Provide personalized support to seriously wounded, ill and injured Airmen, caregivers and families

**We are Wounded Warrior Advocates!**



# AFW2 Program Eligibility/Demographics

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### Program Eligibility

- **Very Seriously, Seriously wounded, ill or injured** on the casualty report or by a DoD Medical Authority
- Airmen/Guardians with **highly complex medical conditions** (service connected or in-the-line of duty) confirmed by a Medical Authority (examples: tick-borne illnesses, cancer, invisible wounds, chemical exposure) (final approval authority: DPFW)
- Airmen/Guardians diagnosed w/ **service connected or in-the-line of duty PTSD, TBI or MST**, (verified by medical authority) and are under consideration or referred to MEB
- **Purple Heart Recipients**
- Air Reserve Components (ARC): **Same criteria as above** to include validation that injury/illness was service connected and in-the-line of duty and/or while on active orders, or on medical continuation orders

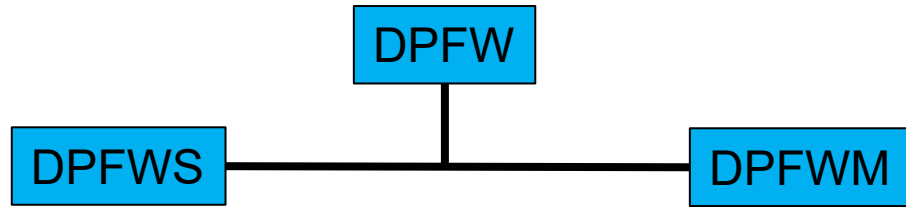
### Demographics

- 2,876 = Active population (1,394 AD/ 977 TDRL / 505 PDRL)
  - **US Space Force population (30)**
  - **2,552 Regular / 200 Guard / 124 Reserve**
  - **AFW2 Case Category**
    - 584 Illnesses (20%)
    - 813 Other Psychological wounds (28%)
    - 1,189 *PTSD* (41%)
    - 274 Physical wounds (10%)
    - 16 TBI (.5%)
- **13K+ Veterans assisted on as needed basis**
- **Combat vs. Non-Combat Enrollment**
  - **Combat Related = 20%**
  - **Non-Combat Related = 80%**
- **Enroll ~ 115 new Airmen per month**



# AFW2 Organization

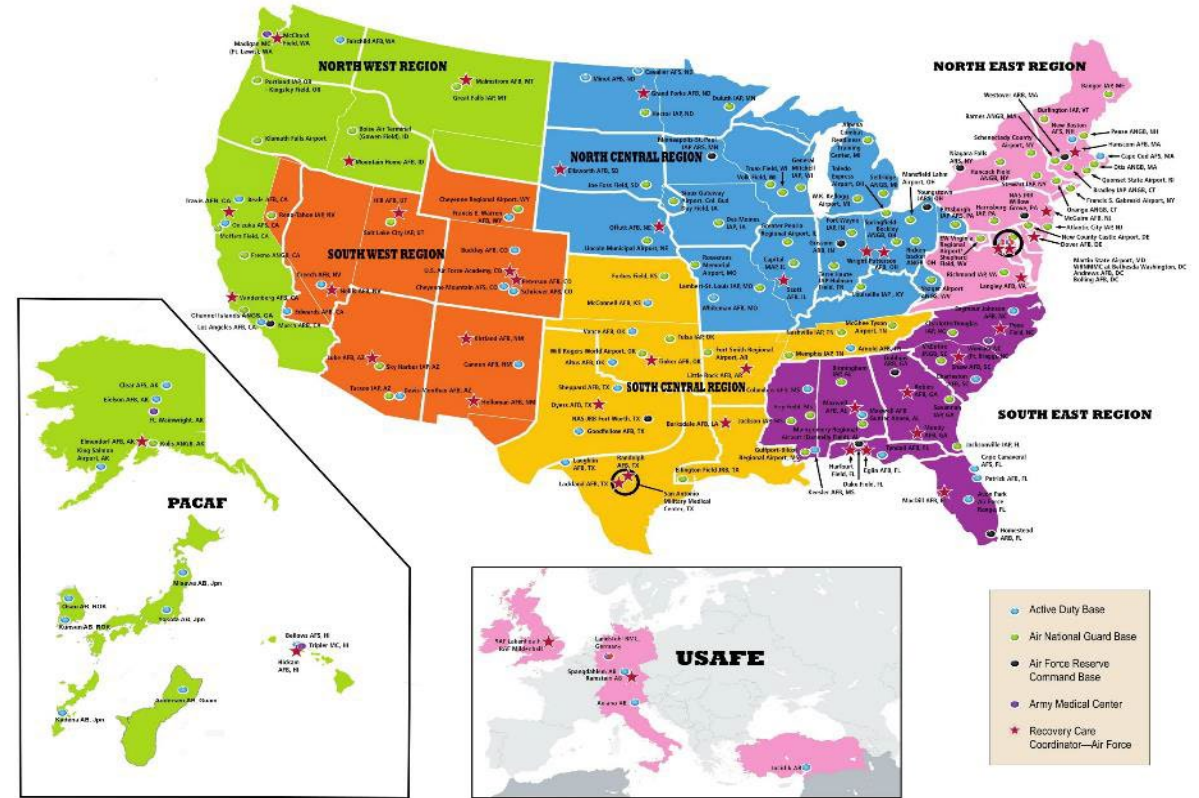
## Air Force Wounded Warrior (AFW2)



- 25xGS, 33xContractor
- Support programs
  - EIT
  - Adaptive Sports
  - Caregiver
  - Mentorship
  - Ambassador
  - Wellness/ Resiliency
- CARE Events
- Outreach
- Marketing
- Logistics

- 9xGS, 71xContractor
- Recovery Care plan
- Identify Airman / Caregiver / Family needs & establish goals
- Coordinate medical and non-medical services (NMCM)
- Reach back – Region Team Lead & NMCM SMEs at AFPC
- Access to Personnel (AFPC) program SMEs

### RECOVERY TEAM REGIONAL MAP



Boots on Ground – Recovery Care Coordinators (RCC)  
 Located at 39 locations / regional coverage



# AFW2 Key Support

## AFW2 CARE Event Objectives

- Provide a holistic event that integrates restorative care and services for seriously wounded, ill and injured Airman and Caregivers into one platform
  - Strengthen mental, physical, spiritual and social well-being
  - Connect with programs that aide in recovery and resiliency
  - Establish goals and a renewed sense of purpose

## Comprehensive Recovery Plan (CRP)

- Plan helps guide warrior and family through their transition
- CRP is wounded warrior's plan but facilitated by RCC/NMCM
- Plan identifies goals, resources and what actions are required for wounded warrior to achieve them
- Examples assisted technology, education, employment, housing, legal/guardianship issues, transportation, youth care, respite care, and PTSD/TBI support services



# AFW2 Leadership Guide

## ■ Leadership Guide

- Care Management Team
- Recovery Coordination Process
- Integrated Disability Evaluation System
- Supporting Airmen in Distress
- Non-Medical Considerations
- Staying in Uniform
- Supporting the Caregivers of Wounded, Ill or Injured Airmen
- Transition Planning
- Getting your Airmen to Stay Connected

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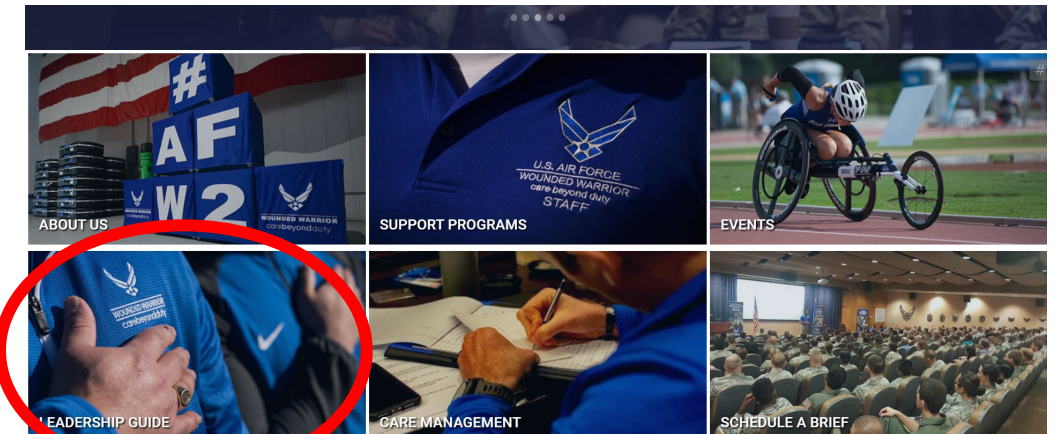
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# AFW2 Information/Assistance



**Leaders: Refer an Airman, Utilize the Leadership Guide, Know your RCC, & Communicate with Wounded Warriors**

## Questions?



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