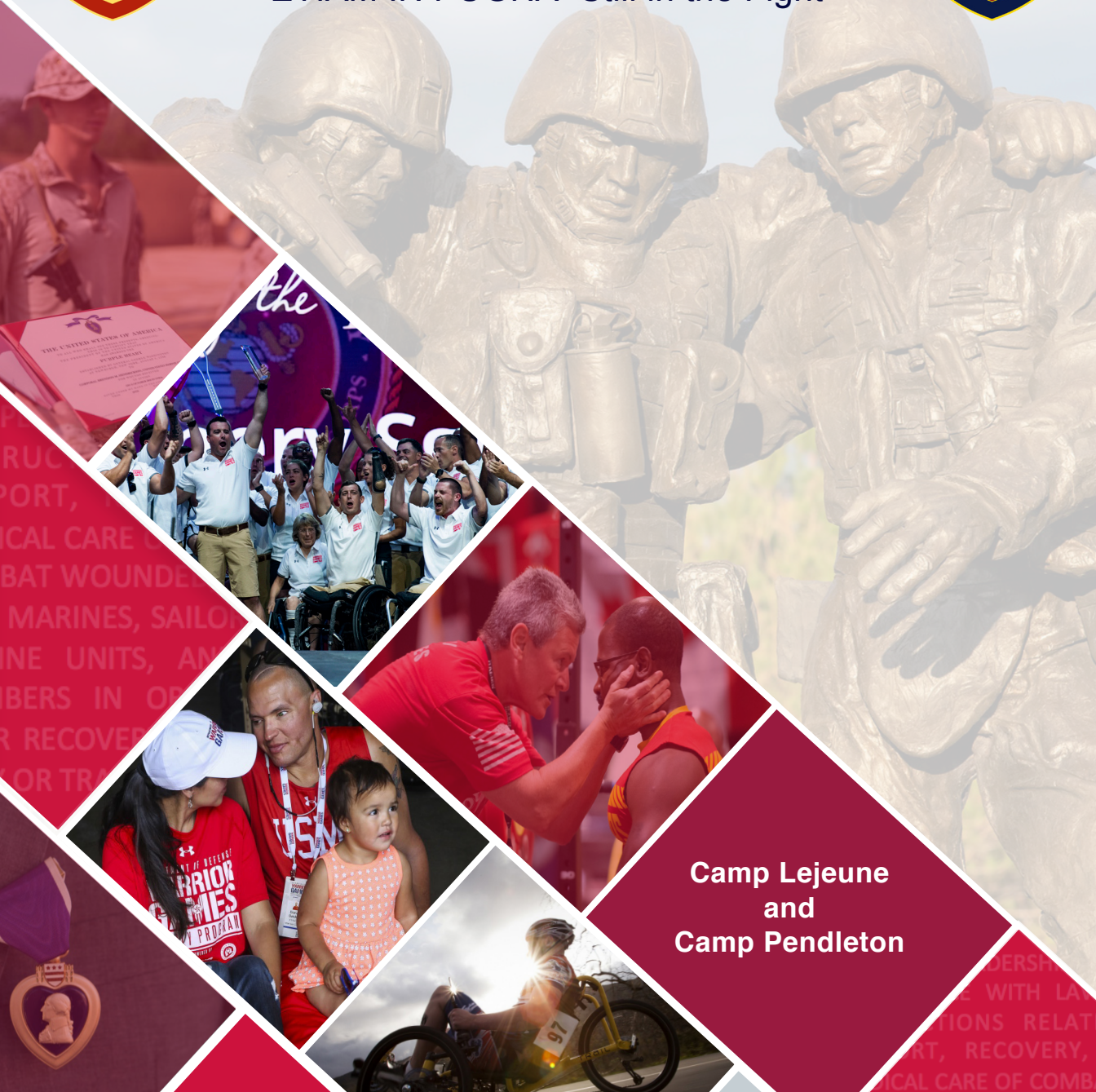




United States Marine Corps Wounded Warrior Battalions

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Battalion Support

The United States Marine Corps Wounded Warrior Regiment (WWR) headquarters, located in Quantico, Virginia, commands the operation of two Wounded Warrior Battalions and multiple detachments in locations around the globe, including Germany, Hawaii, and Japan. Collocated with major military treatment facilities and Department of Veterans Affairs Polytrauma Rehabilitation Centers, Wounded Warrior Battalion and Detachment staff provide complex care coordination to assigned Marines and Sailors.



What Commanders Need to Know

WWR's two Wounded Warrior Battalions and Warrior Hope and Care Centers, located at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, and Camp Pendleton, California, consolidate access to leadership, ADA-compliant barracks, adaptive reconditioning coaches and facilities, and transition services. The Marine Corps' model allows wounded, ill, and injured (WII) Marines to focus on recovery while maintaining a mindset that breeds success in overcoming obstacles. Assignment is determined on a case-by-case basis and is reviewed by a multi-disciplinary referral board. General criteria for eligibility:

- Has injuries that require more than 90 days of medical treatment or rehabilitation.
- Has three or more appointments of a complex nature per week.
- Is unable to serve a function in the parent command due to their illnesses or injuries.

Every assigned Marine and Sailor will receive multi-disciplinary support from a care team consisting of, at a minimum, a medical nurse case manager, recovery care coordinator (RCC), and section leader. Marines and Sailors whose recovery needs do not require joining to the regiment may receive external support through a WWR asset.



WWR Spectrum of Care

Initial needs assessments will determine exactly what type of support a newly assigned recovering service member requires. The RCC, with the Marine or Sailor and family, and other care team members, will develop non-medical recovery goals and a comprehensive recovery plan (CRP). The holistic approach to recovery care ensures all facets of a Marine's or Sailor's health is addressed: mind, body, spirit and family. Wounded Warrior Battalion staff are also there to assist with administrative requirements and benefits; shipments of personal effects; making and traveling to medical appointments; and family travel orders and housing/lodging when needed.

Once medically cleared to begin rehabilitative activities, Marines have access to specialized staff to assist them in reaching the goals set in their CRP. Warrior athlete reconditioning facilities and coaches will provide adaptive sporting and physical activity opportunities. Careers and education specialists will conduct assessments and provide guidance on creating resumes, applying to schools, starting a business, participating in an internship, and planning for a transition from military service. Families are an important part of anyone's recovery; Wounded Warrior Battalions have robust family support programs that address the unique challenges faced by those who love a wounded, ill, or injured Marine or Sailor.

The Disability Evaluation System (DES) process will dictate much of an assigned Marine's or Sailor's schedule. Staff advocate for Marines and Sailors to ensure their conditions are fully and fairly evaluated while providing structure and opportunities to take action on the goals in their CRP. The intent is that all Marines and Sailors who transition from a Wounded Warrior Battalion are fully prepared for their next steps; in the cases when they are not, the WWR spectrum of care includes post-transition support.

Keeping Faith

WWR Outreach and Support

District Injured Support Coordinators (DISCs)/Field Support Representatives (FSRs)

DISCs and FSRs, located across the country, ease the transition of WII Marines from active or reserve status to veteran status by conducting, as needed, outreach and face-to-face visits.

Sergeant Merlin German Wounded Warrior Call Center (WWCC)

Available 24/7, the WWCC extends support to WII Marines through advocacy, resource identification, referral, information distribution, and care coordination. Battalion contact centers support WII active duty Marines who remain with their units while recovering. Marines and families can reach us by phone or social media.

Sergeant Merlin German Wounded Warrior Call Center | 1-877-487-6299

Refer a Marine

For information on how to refer a Marine, visit www.woundedwarrior.marines.mil/referamarine or call the WWCC at 1-877-487-6299. Download WWR Resource Guide to learn more about WWR programs and services.

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