Transition Readiness Program

The Wounded Warrior Regiment (WWR) provides individualized transition support to recovering service members (RSMs) through a transition readiness program (TRP) operated at each regiment location. Transition goals are a part of the comprehensive recovery plan (CRP) developed for RSMs who are assigned a recovery care coordinator (RCC). Goals and participation may vary, commensurate with each RSM’s medical and physical recovery; however, participation in the TRP is an expected daily activity while receiving WWR support. The TRP enhances RSMs’ recoveries and prepares them for transition back to duty, into a civilian education program, training, employment, entrepreneurship, and/or retirement.

Transition Process

The recovery care team (RCT) for every RSM is composed of the medical and battalion staff members most essential to their recovery planning. The transition specialist can and should be a member of the RCT; they are able to provide specialized skills and opportunities to both RSMs and family members. The overall transition planning process is phased, and allows for ongoing goal development as RSMs explore and understand various transition tracks and options. The tracks identified as transition goals are: employment, education, entrepreneurship, retirement, and return to duty.

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<td>• Conduct a needs assessment to identify RSM’s strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats</td>
<td>• Assist the RSM in developing his or her transition plan</td>
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<td>• Document and provide details of RSM’s milestones and experiences within the chosen transition track</td>
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<td>• Counsel and/or refer the RSM to the unit transition coordinator for Department of Defense (DoD) transition requirements</td>
<td>• Review the RSM’s transition plan for accuracy and compliancy</td>
<td>• Provide the RSM with transition resources</td>
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<td>• Assist the RSM in completing a biographical form</td>
<td>• RSM goals:</td>
<td>• Participate in internships, and other identified tasks, contingent upon the ability to continue necessary medical treatments</td>
<td>• Provide a warm hand-off of the RSM to Veterans Affairs (VA) services and support</td>
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Related Fact Sheets: • Wounded Warrior Regiment Call Center
• Recovery Care Team
• DISC & FSR

Wounded Warrior Call Center 24/7—1.877.487.6299
Stay Connected—www.woundedwarrior.marines.mil
Wounded Warrior Regiment Transition Section

The WWR transition section brings together years of military service and career and education placement skills in order to facilitate RSMs’ and families’ successful transition. Transition staff, located at the regimental headquarters, both wounded warrior battalions and various wounded warrior detachments, provide the necessary tools, experiences, and opportunities associated with each RSM’s transition goals. The following table outlines both internal and external support provided to RSMs.

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| Education        | Prepares RSMs to start or complete a field of study in a college, university or vocational school. | VA Education Benefits [https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/](https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/) | • Forever GI Bill  
• Choosing a school guide  
• GI Bill comparison tool |
| Employment       | Prepares RSMs to transition from active service to a successful career in federal or civilian employment. | Federal Employment [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov) [www.opm.gov](http://www.opm.gov) | • Employment with a disability  
• Veterans |
| Entrepreneurship | Prepares RSMs to become self-employed through starting their own business or owning a franchise. | Small Business Administration [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov) | • Business guide  
• Funding programs  
• Contracting  
• Learning center  
• Local assistance |
| Retirement       | Prepares RSMs for the challenges of living on a fixed income by providing education and financial planning and forecasting tools. | VA Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment [www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab](https://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab) | • Eligibility and entitlement  
• Subsistence and allowance rates |

Additional Reserve Transition Support

Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program:

The Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program is a DoD-wide effort to promote the well-being of national guard and reserve members, their families, and communities by connecting them with resources throughout the deployment cycle. Various Yellow Ribbon events, held nation-wide, provide reservists and their families with access to information on:

- Employment
- Education
- Financial Benefits
- Health Care
- Legal Benefits
- Training Opportunities

Please visit [www.yellowribbon.mil/yrrp/aboutUs.html](http://www.yellowribbon.mil/yrrp/aboutUs.html) for more information.