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# **Trauma and Injury Subcommittee**

**Theater Trauma Lessons Learned**

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Defense Health Board  
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# Membership

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## Trauma and Injury Subcommittee

- James (Jim) Bagian, MD, PE
- CAPT (Ret) Brad Bennett, PhD, NREMT-P, FAWM
- CAPT (Ret) Frank Butler, Jr., MD
- Jeffrey Cain, MD
- David Callaway, MD, MPA
- John Gandy, III MD
- Col (Ret) Donald Jenkins, MD, FACS, DMCC
- Norman McSwain, Jr., MD, FACS
- CAPT Edward (Mel) Otten, MD, FACMT, FAWM
- CAPT (Ret) Peter Rhee, MD, MPH



# Tasking

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Summarize lessons learned in trauma care in Iraq and Afghanistan, and propose a “strategy for preserving these lessons in future conflicts.”

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



# Timeline

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- Meetings to Date:
  - January 25, 2013 – Meeting in DHHQ
    - Reviewed background materials
    - Identified potential lessons learned
    - Discussed way forward
  - October 29, 2013 – Teleconference
    - Reviewed potential lessons learned
    - Established a way forward



# Ideas of Interest

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- Systems Level Advances
  - Maintain skills and advances and preserve lessons learned
- Prehospital Care/Tactical Combat Casualty Care
- En-route Care
  - En-route Care (TACEVAC)
  - En-route Care (Intra-theater)
  - En-route Care (STRATEVAC)
- Fixed Facility Care



# Way Forward

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- December 2013
  - Teleconference
    - Review draft report
    - Finalize individual advances in trauma care
  
- 2014
  - Continue monthly meetings or teleconferences
  - Assemble findings and begin deliberation of recommendations



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Questions?