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Army Honors Wounded, Ill and Injured Soldiers During Warrior Care Month Focuses on Building Readiness and Resilience

Alexandria, VA — This November, the Army honors wounded, ill and injured soldiers and their families by commemorating Warrior Care Month. This year's theme is "Warrior Care – Building a Ready and Resilient Force."

"Caring for wounded, ill or injured soldiers and their families is a sacred obligation and an enduring mission," said Brig. Gen. David Bishop, Assistant Surgeon General for Warrior Care and Commander of the Warrior Transition Command. "Each of these soldiers contributes to the strength of our Army, and we've built a robust program that gives each one the dedicated time and place to heal and transition."

Across the Army during November events will be held honoring these men and women and highlighting their experiences in Warrior Transition Units with a focus on their resilience and the contributions they make to the readiness of the force.

Since 2007, the Army Warrior Care and Transition Program (WCTP) has provided the best possible support to each soldier and family throughout the recovery and transition process. This scalable, comprehensive program supports a ready and resilient force through:

- 29 Warrior Transition Units (WTUs) and 9 Community-Based Warrior Transition Units (CBWTUs) currently serving more than 7,500 soldiers
- Personalized Comprehensive Transition Plans (CTPs) for each WTU soldier, with short- and long-term goals for each of six domains of life (physical, social, emotional, spiritual, family, and career)
- A professional cadre spanning all aspects of medical and non-medical care
- Established the Army Wounded Warrior Program (AW2) in 2004, which provides personal support to the most severely wounded, ill or injured soldiers and their families, even into veteran status
- Establishing adaptive sports and reconditioning programs at WTUs to enable soldiers to build self-confidence and see how much they can still accomplish
- Developing a Career and Employment Readiness program that enables soldiers to return to school, obtain civilian certifications, or participate in internships to gain civilian work experience
- Returning more than 26,000 soldiers (47%) of all WTU soldiers to duty
- Supporting more than 56,000 soldiers through WTUs in the last six years

Along with the other military services, the Army will kick-off the observance with social media events the week of October 28 and on November 21, the third annual joint service sitting volleyball competition will be held in the Pentagon Athletic Center. More information on events at WTUs around the country is available on the WTC website at <http://www.wtc.army.mil/>.

WTC is a major subordinate command under the U.S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM). WTC's mission is to develop, coordinate and integrate the Army's Warrior Care and Transition Program (WCTP) for wounded, ill and injured soldiers, veterans and their families. For more information on WTC, visit the new WTC website, www.WTC.army.mil, follow on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/armyWTC> or join Facebook at <http://facebook.com/armyWTC>.