



Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Task Force

In 2006 The Army Surgeon General established the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Task Force for the Department of the Army to establish a clear picture of the processes and research involved with the prevention, identification, assessment, treatment, rehabilitation, family support, and transition to civilian life of Service Members with TBI.

The TBI Task Force was chartered in January 2007. The purpose of the TBI Task Force was to assess how the Army addresses aspects of TBI care and made recommendations to The Army Surgeon General for improvement.

The mission of the TBI Task Force was to identify:

- Existing policies, procedures, and resources
- Possible gaps through which Soldiers and Family Members may slip
- Which gaps can be closed by MEDCOM vice DoD or interagency action, policy or resources
- Best Practices in the treatment and management of TBI.
- Research efforts in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and management of TBI
- Required resources to care for service members with TBI



Six members of the Office of the Surgeon General Traumatic Brain Injury Task Force visit with TBI patients during a town hall meeting in Cochrane Hall at Evans Army Community Hospital, Fort Carson, Co on Feb. 21, 2007.

The TBI Task Force Report to The Surgeon General included forty-eight recommendations in the categories of:

Definition	Research
Outreach Program	Family Issues
Baseline Neuropsychological Evaluation	Education
Screening	Marketing
TBI Center of Excellence	Documentation
Treatment	PDES
Case Management	Resource Management

The TBI Task Force Report was released on 17 January 2008 and is available online at: <http://www.armymedicine.army.mil/news/reports/TBITaskForceReportJanuary2008.pdf>.

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