

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TASK FORCE ON THE CARE, MANAGEMENT AND
TRANSITION OF RECOVERING WOUNDED, ILL AND INJURED MEMBERS OF THE
ARMED FORCES**

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Dr. Russell A. Turner brings to the Task Force 30 years of leadership at all levels of family practice, flight and occupational medicine, and primary medical care, along with a strong background in medical systems. In 2005, as the commander of a deployed wartime hospital in Iraq he commanded the busiest multi-force, multi-national trauma hospital in Iraq in support of combat operations north of Baghdad. Additional military experience includes delivery of medical care and disability determination as a clinical family practice physician and a primary care clinic manager.

In the civilian sector, Dr. Turner developed and managed San Antonio city-wide outpatient medical and dental care systems coordinating military and civilian care providers for 36,000 patients. With a focus specialty in medical industry and informatics, Dr. Turner's expertise extends to surveying electronic medical records, coding and syndrome surveillance for detection of disease patterns.

Dr. Turner has completed a postgraduate degree at the highest level in the Department of Defense for strategic program acquisition, funding and resource planning. Additionally, he led a 10-year planning and management effort for medical modernization for an Air Force system of 16 hospitals and clinics plus all overseas deployed forces. Dr. Turner is a disabled veteran, and currently owns a small business that provides medical consultant services. Dr. Turner is the recipient of numerous military awards.