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presents an interactive roundtable for decisionmakers

TBI: Fitting The Pieces Together

Hall of the States Building 444 North Capitol Street NW Room 333
September 21, 2007 8:30 a.m. – Noon

Rick Erdtmann, MD
Director, Board on Military and Veterans Health, Institute of Medicine
Moderator

Seen as the “signature” injury of the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, traumatic brain injury has long-term implications that remain uncertain, at both the individual and agency levels. How do the policy, scientific and patient imperatives fit together, and how should they be addressed in future?

8:00 a.m. coffee

Welcome: David J. McIntyre, President and CEO, TriWest Healthcare Alliance [8:30-8:35]

Opening remarks: Moderator [8:35 – 8:45]

Current status and future imperatives of TBI issues: [8:45 - 9:05]

S. Ward Casscells, MD, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs

Michael Kussman, MD, Under Secretary for Health, Department of Veterans Affairs

Open Discussion [9:05 – 9:45]

Research and Treatment Considerations in TBI issues [9:45 – 10:05]

Lt. Col. Michael Jaffee, Interim National Director, Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center

Gregory O’Shanick, MD, National Medical Director, Brain Injury Association of America

Open Discussion [10:05 – 10:45]

Break [10:45 – 10:55]

Policy Considerations in TBI Issues [10:55 – 11:25]

Ana Smythe, Deputy for Wounded Warrior Issues, MOAA

William Brew, Staff Director, Senate Veterans Affairs Committee

William Cahill, Minority Chief Counsel, Senate Veterans Affairs Committee

Targeted discussion on meshing research, treatment and policy [11:25 – 11:50]

Closing observations: Moderator [11:50 - Noon]

