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Benefits of the Non-Medical Attendant Program for Wounded Soldiers

- 95,000+ injured military members have transitioned through Germany
- 14 Warrior Transition Units (WTU)
- Strong leadership at all levels
- NMA program vital to support our troops recovery
Responsibilities of the Non-Medical Attendant

- Daily tasks (showering, food prep, mobility)
- Attend all appointments
- *Medical* tasks (dressing changes, issue medication, etc.)
- Advocate
Civilian program(s) vs Non-Medical Attendant Program

Civilian Programs
• No program comparison

NMA & all treatment programs
• Program/treatment specifically tailored to assist the individual Soldier
• NMA is part of the care team
• Compensation, access to base facilities, care
• Leadership at all levels support the NMA program
Themes and Findings

• Difficult to adequately prepare the NMA for their role
• Best source of information are other NMA’s
• Leadership – motivated, proactive, compassionate, genuine, available
Conclusions

• Strong leadership = better outcome for the Soldier and family!