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MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERSHIP DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Warrior Care Month Recognition 2023

Since 2008, the Department has recognized November as Warrior Care Month. Warrior Care Month celebrates the resiliency of our wounded, ill, and injured Service members. As in past years, the theme of this year's observance is "Show of Strength."

During Warrior Care Month, I encourage you to increase awareness of programs and resources available to wounded, ill, and injured Service members, their families, and caregivers. While the Department is committed to taking care of our wounded, ill, and injured Service members year-round, Warrior Care Month provides a Department-wide opportunity to raise awareness of warrior care programs and resources throughout the month of November.

The resiliency of our wounded, ill, and injured Service members as they work towards recovery, rehabilitation, and reintegration back to duty or transition to civilian life is inspiring. The Department, in collaboration with internal and external stakeholders, works diligently to provide care and support to Service members, their families, and caregivers to overcome physical, mental, spiritual, emotional, familial, and career-readiness challenges encountered throughout the spectrum of recovery.

For more information on Warrior Care Month and available resources, please visit: www.warriorcare.mil.

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