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Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade  
Defence Sub Committee

**MEDIA ALERT**

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Chair: Senator Mark Furner  
Deputy: Dr Dennis Jensen MP

# Inquiry into care of Australian Defence Force personnel wounded and injured on operations

*Public Hearing on Monday 25 March*

On Monday, several organisations assisting with the rehabilitation of Australian Defence Force (ADF) members wounded and injured on operations will appear at a public hearing in Brisbane of the parliamentary inquiry into their care.

Defence Sub-Committee chair Senator Mark Furner said that the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade had heard much about the many programs which support the rehabilitation of ADF personal wounded on operations in Afghanistan and other places.

“A good proportion of Queensland-based military personnel have deployed on operations in recent years, and unfortunately not all have come home in one piece,” Senator Furner said. “The best possible recovery of these troops from their injuries is clearly of paramount importance, and this is an opportunity for some Queensland agencies that are supporting Queensland Diggers in their recovery to discuss some of the successes, issues and challenges that they have encountered”.

## Program

Mates4Mates Family Recovery Centre, 4 Higgs Street, Albion, Brisbane  
1300 – 1330 Go2 Human Performance  
1330 – 1400 Centori Pty Ltd  
1400 – 1430 Group Therapy Day Programs, Toowong Private Hospital  
1500 – 1530 Young Diggers  
1530 – 1600 Military Surgery and Medicine, University of Queensland

The public hearing will be audio webcast live on:

[http://www.aph.gov.au/News\\_and\\_Events/Watch\\_Parliament](http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament)

Terms of reference for the inquiry and submissions can be found at:

[www.aph.gov.au/jfadt](http://www.aph.gov.au/jfadt)

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