

**Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses (RACGWVI)
Subcommittee on Veteran Engagement**

Date	Tuesday, Feb 7, 2023
Time	Session 1: 9:30am – 12:30pm HST / 2:30pm – 5:30pm ET Session 2: 1:30pm – 4:30pm HST / 6:30pm – 9:30pm ET HST = Hawaii Standard Time / ET = Eastern Time
Location	The Oahu Veterans Council and Center 1298 Kukila St, Honolulu, HI 96818 theovc.org
Purpose of Meeting	Subcommittee Veteran Listening Sessions
Committee Chair	Dr. Cheryl Walker
Committee Vice-Chair	Dr. Kenneth Ramos
Designated Federal Officer (DFO)	Dr. Karen Block
Alternate DFO	Marsha Turner
Moderator	Bill Watts
Participants	Ronald Brown, Dr. Drew Helmer, Delphine Metcalf-Foster, Bill Watts

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SESSION 1**9:30am – 12:30pm Hawaii Standard Time (HST) (2:30 – 5:30pm ET)**

9:30am HST (2:30pm ET)	Welcome / Committee Introductions / Overview	Chair
9:45-10am HST (2:45-3pm ET)	VA Research: Accomplishments and participation	DFO
10-10:45am HST (3:00-3:45pm ET)	As a Gulf War Veteran: – What past and present health problems concern you most about the 1990-91 Gulf War? – What treatments have helped you manage your Gulf War health problems?	Dr. Drew Helmer
BREAK: 15 min		
11-11:45am HST (4-4:45pm ET)	– What aspect of your Gulf War illness most affects your quality of life? (e.g., interference with daily life, work, and family activities or social interactions) – What helps you most to manage these interferences?	Veteran Ron Brown
11:45am-12:30pm HST (4:45-5:30pm ET)	– If you could tell the VA Secretary one thing about being a Gulf War Veteran with Gulf War illness, what would it be?	Veteran Delphine M-Foster
12:30pm HST (5:30pm ET)	Adjourn	

BREAK: 60 min

SESSION 2**1:30 – 4:30pm HST (6:30 – 9:30pm ET)**

1:30pm HST (6:30pm ET)	Welcome / Overview	Chair
1:45–2pm HST (6:45-7pm ET)	VA Research: Accomplishments and participation	DFO
2-2:45pm HST (7-7:45pm ET)	As a Gulf War Veteran: – What past and present health problems concern you most about the 1990-91 Gulf War? – What treatments have helped you manage your Gulf War health problems?	Dr. Drew Helmer
BREAK: 15 min		
3-3:45pm HST (8-8:45pm ET)	– What aspect of your Gulf War illness most affects your quality of life? (e.g., interference with daily life, work, and family activities or social interactions) – What helps you most to manage these interferences?	Veteran Ron Brown
3:45-4:30pm HST (8:45-9:30p ET)	– If you could tell the VA Secretary one thing about being a Gulf War Veteran with Gulf War illness, what would it be?	Veteran Delphine M-Foster
4:30pm HST (9:30pm ET)	Adjourn	