

# International Military Pain Working Group

## Current Committees

Research  
Clinical Practice  
Rehabilitation  
Advocacy and Policy  
Communications  
Veterans Care

## Current Disciplines

Addiction Counseling  
Addiction Medicine  
Anesthesiology  
Pain Management  
Nursing  
Occupational Therapy  
Psychology  
Psychiatry  
Pharmacology  
Physical Therapy Physical  
Medicine & Rehabilitation  
Physiotherapy

## Network of Nations

Egypt  
Canada  
France  
Georgia  
Germany  
Israel  
Malta  
Netherlands  
Serbia  
Sweden  
Ukraine  
United Kingdom  
United States

The International Military Pain Working Group (IMPWG) is an organized network of multi-disciplinary medical providers united to develop and improve actionable evidence based standards for the management and care of pain conditions for active-duty military service members and veterans globally.

**Vision:** *To be the preeminent international collaborative in military pain management research and practice.*

**Values:** The IMPWG is committed to collaborative approaches across disciplines and stakeholders that emphasize integrity, knowledge, compassion, and courage.

## **Accomplishments:**

- Founded in 2023, the IMPWG originated with collaboration by members of 14 NATO countries. The inaugural gathering was held in Loughborough, UK in 2024 for the purpose of uniting military medical providers on research, advocacy & policy, and clinical best practices related to effective pain treatment specifically for military service members.
- In 2025, this group partnered with the National Capital Region Pain Initiative (NCRPI) in Washington, D.C. to formalize the group's charter, organize quarterly meetings and virtual content hosted on the PURPOSE network, and plan annual in person meeting adjacent to the Pain Care Skills Training (PCST).
- In 2026, our network currently consists of 46 participants across 13 medical specialties, spanning 13 NATO nations.

**Future:** The IMPWG continues to meet quarterly, expand network, and collaborate on the development of "International guidelines for the comprehensive treatment of peripheral nerve injury from battlefield wounding through veteran care needs."



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