

Houston Texans OTAs Week 2

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The Houston Texans begin Week 2 of OTAs looking to improve from last week. On Tuesday, they began on a sour note as running back Arian Foster went down with a strained calf. Foster was injured on the very first play of team drills at the Methodist Training Center.

“We’ll go get it looked at,” head coach Gary Kubiak said. “It’s always concerning. You’re trying to get better out here, work everybody. We’ll see what’s wrong, see what happens.”

Wide receiver Andre Johnson, who has dealt with an assortment of hamstring and knee injuries in his 10-year NFL career, said he did not think Foster’s injury was significant. “I don’t think it’s anything serious where anybody should be worried or something like that,” Johnson said. “I think if it was, he would’ve said something. You can tell when it’s something serious. I’ve been around it long enough. So, I’m sure he’ll be fine. Just give him a little rest; he’ll be back out there.”

The Texans’ draft picks made great improvements as well. DeAndre Hopkins continues to impress coaches and the media with how quickly he is picking up the Texans’ offense. D.J. Swearinger is getting better and better. He had a few interceptions in practices, showing his great instincts and coverage ability. Alan Bonner looked great in special teams, but I’m waiting to see his skills at receiver. He showed moments of greatness, but has to be more consistent.

Veteran defensive end J.J. Watt looked as good as he did last year leading the defense for the Texans. Whitney Mercilus also made plays for the defense at linebacker.

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The Texans have one more week of OTAs before they begin Mini Camp on June 11.