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SUBJECT: Prevention and Treatment of Domestic and Child Abuse, CG Policy Memo 18-16.

1. References.

- a. AR 608-18, The Army Family Advocacy Program (FAP), 30 October 2007, Rapid Action Revision, 13 September 2011.
- b. AR 600-63, Army Health Promotion, 14 April 2015.
- c. DA Form 7419-1, Family Advocacy Program, Accreditation Form, August 2007.
- d. Fort Sill Regulation 608-4, Family Advocacy program, 25 January 2013.

2. Policy. I am committed to the Army's policy promoting the prevention and treatment of domestic and child abuse, reporting options for adult victims of abuse, and holding offenders who commit these acts accountable. Domestic and child abuse are completely incompatible with the Army Core Values. The intent of this policy is to emphasize the importance of our Family Advocacy Program's education, prevention, advocacy, initiatives, and amplify the commander's role in the FAP.

3. Commander's Emphasis. I strongly believe the prevention of family maltreatment is critical to Unit Readiness. Prevention efforts must be proactive, rather than reactive in nature, and must be research based. As such commanders will work collaboratively with FAP to take an active role in the prevention of Family maltreatment within their units.

- a. First, commanders will encourage and allow their Soldiers (whether mothers or fathers) to attend preventive education sessions with their children. The installation FAP office will publish a preventive education calendar that lists all upcoming sessions. To obtain this calendar, either contact POCs in paragraph six of this memorandum or refer to the ACS facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/FortSillACS/events>

- b. Second, commanders will attend annual Domestic and Child Abuse Prevention Training with their Soldiers and provide opening and closing command remarks about characteristics of a healthy relationship their Service Members will learn there.

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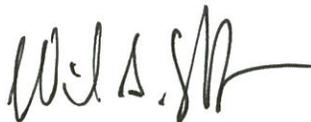
c. Third, commanders will refer all Service Members and Family members experiencing relationship difficulties to the Family Advocacy Program Clinic for early intervention counseling.

d. Fourth, Although domestic and child abuse are crimes, adult victims of domestic abuse have the option of making a restricted report and receiving services 24 hours a day via the domestic abuse victim advocacy (DAVA) hotline for Fort Sill, (580) 442-574-0871. Commanders will publicize the DAVA hotline within their area of operations and to their family Readiness Group members.

e. Fifth, when Family maltreatment incidents do occur, battery/company level commanders will play an active role in the Case Review Committee (CRC) and support CRC treatment recommendations to the maximum extent possible.

4. This CG Policy Memorandum supersedes CG Policy Memorandum, ATZR-C, 15 August 2016, Subject: Prevention and Treatment of Domestic and Child Abuse, CG Policy Memo 16-24.

8. Point of contact for FAP Prevention is Army Community Service, (580) 442-4916, Building 4700. Point of contact for FAP Treatment is Social Work Services, 442-2836, Building 2913. Office Hours are 0730-1600.



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