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MEMORANDUM FOR All United States Army Garrison (USAG) Ansbach, Military, Civilian Personnel, and Family Members

SUBJECT: USAG Ansbach Command Policy Letter #6 - Family Advocacy Program (FAP)

1. Reference:

- a. Department of Defense (DOD) Instruction 6400.01 (Family Advocacy Program), 1 May 2019.
- b. Army Regulation (AR) 608-18 (The Army Family Advocacy Program), Rapid Action Revision (RAR) 13 September 2011.
- c. AR 608-10 (Child Development Services), Revised 11 May 2017.
- d. Army Directive 2019-24 (Reporting Responsibilities of Commanders and Covered Professionals for Child Abuse and Neglect), 11 July 2019.
- e. Army Directive 2021-26 (Family Advocacy Program Incident Determination Committee and Clinical Case Staff Meeting), 12 July 2021.
- f. Army in Europe Regulation 608-18 (Army in Europe Child and Youth Supervision), Revised 20 November 2020.

2. Purpose. Identify the Family Advocacy Program (FAP) and Commander's responsibilities and establish guidance for the prevention of Family violence.

3. Applicability. This policy applies to all USAG Ansbach, Military Personnel, and in part to all Civilian employees, Contractors and Family members in the Ansbach Military community.

4. Policy.

a. The FAP mission is to prevent and reduce child abuse, child neglect, and spouse/intimate partner abuse. An essential aspect of FAP prevention is to promote strong, resilient Soldiers and Families by establishing information and educational programs and supportive services. The FAP mission also includes ensuring prompt reporting, assessment and investigation of incidents of violence and abuse, while providing treatment to all affected Family members.

b. Family violence is contrary to Army values and threatens the safety and welfare of our military Families and communities. Family violence also undermines unit cohesion, morale, and readiness. Preventing Family violence is a command priority and responsibility, but also requires community support. By referring at-risk Families to the FAP prevention programs, commanders might prevent a family situation from escalating to a crisis ending in violence.

c. Commanders must promptly report all incidents of child abuse, child neglect, and domestic/intimate partner violence to the USAG Ansbach Reporting Point of Contact (RPOC), the Military Police, at DSN: 467-3856 or 110, COMM: 09802-83-110.

d. Commanders are shall provide command representation at Incident Determination Committee (IDC) meetings, attend required IDC trainings, and support treatment recommendations to the maximum extent possible, to include providing Soldiers the time necessary for completing treatment recommendations made by clinical case staff.

e. AR 608-18 also stipulates mandatory FAP briefings for all subordinate commanders and senior enlisted advisers within 45 days after appointment to a command position and annual training thereafter. In addition to this requirement, all company and unit commanders are responsible for scheduling annual FAP troop training on Family violence prevention and awareness, the availability of prevention and treatment services, and other services that are available. All Soldiers are to attend this training annually. Civilians are encouraged to attend but their attendance is not required.

f. Commanders should be aware of the Transitional Compensation Program. Family members may become eligible for transitional compensation payments only if the conviction or administrative separation is based upon a dependent-abuse offense.

g. Commanders should also be aware of the New Parent Support Program - Home Visitation (NPSP-HV). NPSP-HV provides supports to Families through a comprehensive combination of services before and after a child's birth to include: home visits, parent education, parent/child bonding and playtime, child development, and information and referral. NPSP-HV is an important voluntary program that is designed to increase parental skills and reduce incidents of child abuse. Both mothers and fathers are encouraged to participate in the NPSP-HV. Expectant parents or those with a child in the home under age 4 are eligible for these services.

h. Commanders and senior leaders should be aware of the Army in Europe Child Supervision Policy, which outlines the level of supervision needed for children. Copies of the policy are provided to in-processing Soldiers, and is addressed during FAP command briefs.

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i. FAP offers multiple classes and groups addressing relationship issues, parenting, stress and anger management, and support networks. Please contact FAP staff at DSN 314-467-7777, to schedule FAP briefings and trainings.

5. The POC for this policy is the USAG Ansbach Army Community Service (ACS), FAP Manager at DSN 314-467-7777.



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