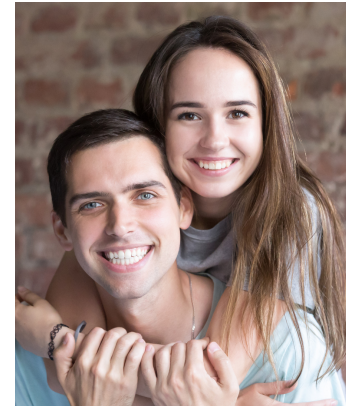




WHO DO YOU WANT TO PROTECT?

Access to weapons in the home should only be available to individuals who have knowledge and training on how/when to use them.

Though the military community is more familiar with firearm safety than most, all owners should understand that limiting access to firearms - especially in times of intense stress or crisis - could prevent suicide. Securing weapons with a cable lock is one way to do this.



FAST FACTS

- 36% of child and teen gun deaths between 2015 and 2019 were suicides*.
- In 2017, 69.4% of Veteran suicide deaths were due to a self-inflicted firearm injury.[^]
- Alcohol was involved in at least half of the off-duty privately owned weapons mishap fatalities that occurred from FY10 - FY20.⁺
- Households that locked both firearms and ammunition showed a 78% lower risk of self-inflicted firearm injuries and an 85% lower risk of unintentional firearm injuries among children, compared to those that locked neither.[^]

Risk Reduction is offering FREE Cable locks



Safe Storage Saves Lives

Contact your unit's Risk Reduction Coordinator to obtain your free cable lock, or for more information on personal firearm safety.

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* Data from U.S. Government Accountability Office: <https://www.gao.gov/products/gao-17-665>

[^] Data from Everytown for Gun Safety: "The Impact of Gun Violence on Children and Teens." (2019) & "Firearm Suicide in the United States" (2021) <https://everytownresearch.org>

⁺ Data from U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, 2019. "2019 National Veteran Suicide Prevention Annual Report". <https://www.va.gov/>