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### MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Family Violence Policy (Fort Wainwright Policy #45)

#### 1. References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 608-1, Army Community Service, 22 December 2016.
- b. AR 608-18, The Army Family Advocacy Program (FAP), (RAR 001, 13 September 2011), 30 October 2007.
- c. Department of Defense Manual (DoDM) 6400.01, Volume 1, Family Advocacy Program (FAP): FAP Standards, 22 July 2019.
- d. Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 6400.01, Family Advocacy Program,
   1 May 2019.
  - e. DoDI 6400.05, New Parent Support Program (NPSP), 13 June 2012.
- f. DoDI 6400.06, DoD Coordinated Community Response to Domestic Abuse Involving DoD Military and Certain Affiliated Personnel, 15 December 2021, Incorporating Change 2, Effective 16 May 2023.
- g. DoDI 6400.07, Standards for Victim Assistance Services in the Military Community, November 25, 2013, Incorporating Change 2, 6 July 2018.
- h. DoDI 6490.06, Counseling Services for DoD Military, Guard and Reserve, Certain Affiliated Personnel, and Their Family Members, 21 April 2009, Incorporating Change 2, 31 March 2017.
- i. DoDI 6400.11, Integrated Primary Prevention Policy for Prevention Workforce and Leaders, 20 December 2022, Incorporated Change 1, 4 April 2023.
- 2. This command is committed to the safety and security of all Soldiers and Families. Family violence, in the form of spouse and child abuse, detracts from readiness and our quality of life. We all share specific responsibilities in preventing abuse, protecting victims and providing appropriate treatment and intervention for offenders.
- 3. The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) is the Commander's tool for prevention, early identification, prompt reporting and intervention of Family abuse, which is inclusive of

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intimate partner violence (IPV), child abuse, child neglect, and youth problematic sexual behavior in children and youth (PSB-CY). For Soldiers involved in abuse, treatment should be immediate, uninterrupted and continued through completion.

- a. Prevention: Supporting Soldiers and Families to prevent abuse is the top priority for the FAP. Marriage enrichment and relationship support is available from Chaplains, Military One Source, Military and Family Life Counselors (MFLC), and Behavioral Health (BH) at Basset Army Community Hospital (BACH), as well as other civilian resources. New Parent Support Program (NPSP) home visitors provide professional advice to expectant mothers and fathers and help with the challenges of parenting young children. Involvement of all caregivers is important. Army Community Service (ACS) FAP provides parent support, playgroups, advocacy and life skills education. Commanders should refer Soldiers early to prevent greater problems. For confidential counseling, contact Military One Source, 1-800-342-9647, MFLC, 907-251-5286 (or ACS 907-353-4227), Chaplains, 907-353-6276, BH BACH 907-361-6299 or ACS FAP, 907-353-7317.
- b. Training: Commanders and senior enlisted personnel must attend FAP training within 45 days of assuming command and schedule FAP awareness training for their Soldiers annually. Point of contact for community resources, training and education is ACS FAP Manager, 907-353-7317.
- c. Reporting: The Fort Wainwright Police Department will serve as the installation's Reporting Point of Contact (RPOC) at 907-353-7535 for all incidents of spouse/intimate partner and child abuse. Commanders and leaders must report suspected abuse promptly to the Police Department which also serves as the 24-hour emergency response system capable of investigating abuse and mobilizing resources to protect victims of abuse. Commanders should also coordinate with FAP Behavioral Health, BACH, 907-361-6299 during office hours (M-F, 0730-1630) or 907-361-6059 after hours. Commanders should contact victim advocacy services 24/7 at 907-799-9770. All Soldiers, FAP staff, Child and Youth Services (CYS) employees, law enforcement and healthcare providers are mandated reporters for child abuse. Child abuse must be reported to the State of Alaska's Office of Children's Services (OCS) at 800-478-4444.
- d. Investigation: Rights of alleged offenders must also be protected. Reports of abuse will be investigated by law enforcement and/or assessed by FAP Behavioral Health, and in conjunction with civilian agencies as needed. Soldiers suspected of criminal acts should be properly advised of their rights under Article 31(b), Uniform Code Military Justice (UCMJ), before being questioned about suspected or known

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incidents of abuse. Afterwards, Commanders will direct Soldiers to participate in FAP-clinical assessment by FAP Behavioral Health Staff. The Provost Marshal Officer (PMO) and Staff Judge Advocate (SJA) will advise Commanders on options available to them; e.g., no contact orders, military protective orders, emergency shelter, administrative or disciplinary actions when warranted.

- e. Victim Safety: Victims have the right to protect themselves and make decisions affecting the welfare of themselves and their children. Adult victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault may opt to make a restricted report of abuse, allowing for access to medical and advocacy services without Command notification or IAW enforcement investigation. Restricted reports for domestic violence, with limitations (child abuse, self-harm or harm to others) may be accepted only by military healthcare providers (including FAP Behavioral Health Staff), FAP Victim Advocates and the FAP Manager. The FAP Victim Advocates are available 24/7 at 907-799-9770.
- f. Incident Determination Committee (IDC): The multidisciplinary IDC is chaired by the Garrison Commander. The IDC objectively considers disposition and/or recommends treatment on all reports of child and domestic abuse. Commanders or their representatives attend IDC meetings concerning their Soldiers and participate in the determination process. For Soldiers involved in Family violence, treatment should be immediate, uninterrupted and monitored until completion for optimal Family safety and stabilization.
- 4. The Army's goal is to eliminate domestic and child abuse. Commander involvement is the key to successfully addressing this problem. Please join me in keeping our Soldiers, Families and community safe, healthy and Army strong!
- 5. This policy supersedes USAG Fort Wainwright Policy #45, subject: Family Violence, dated 27 June 2022.
- 6. The proponent for this policy is Directorate of Personnel and Family Services, Army Community Service, Family Advocacy Program, Fort Wainwright, Alaska (907) 353-7317.

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