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SUBJECT: Garrison Policy Letter #10, Family Advocacy Program (FAP)

1. References.

a. Army Regulation (AR) 608-18, The Family Advocacy Program, Rapid Action Revision, 13 September 2011.

b. Army Directive 2021-26, Family Advocacy Incident Determination Committee (IDC) and Clinical Case Staff Meeting, 12 July 2021.

c. Department of Defense (DoD) Instruction 6400.01, Family Advocacy Program (FAP) 1 May 2019.

d. DoDI 6400.06, DoD Coordinated Community Response to Domestic Abuse Involving DoD Military and Certain Affiliated Personnel, 11 July 2024.

d. DoD Manual 6400.01, Volume 3, Family Advocacy Program: Clinical Case Staff Meeting and Incident Determination Committee, 11 August 2016 (Change 1, 16 July 2021).

2. This policy applies at all times and in all locations to all service members assigned to, attached to, or performing duties in units or activities assigned, attached, stationed, based, or otherwise located on the Fort Bragg military installation.

3. Family and intimate partner violence includes abuse between current or former spouses, intimate partners, dating partners and child abuse. Within the context of eligibility for FAP services, a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the alleged abuser, as determined by the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the person and the alleged abuser. An intimate partner is informed by, but not limited to, the totality of factors such as: Previous or ongoing consensual intimate or sexual behaviors. History of ongoing dating or expressed interest in continued dating or the potential for an ongoing relationship (e.g., history of repeated break-ups and reconciliations). Self-identification by the victim or alleged abuser as intimate partners or identification by others as a couple. Emotional connectedness (e.g., relationship is a priority, partners may have discussed a future together). Familiarity and knowledge of each other's lives.

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Child abuse includes physical or sexual abuse, emotional abuse, or neglect of a child by a parent, guardian, foster parent, or by a caregiver, whether the caregiver is intrafamilial or extrafamilial, under circumstances indicating the child's welfare is harmed or threatened. Such acts by a sibling, other family member, or other person shall be deemed to be child abuse only when the individual is providing care under express or implied agreement with the parent, guardian, or foster parent. Certain types of family and intimate partner violence are punishable under the United States Code, Uniform Code of Military Justice, and state law. It is essential that the rights of both victims and offenders are respected to the fullest extent at all times. The FAP is available at all times to guide Commanders in responding to incidents.

4. AR 608-18 encourages every service member and Civilian in the military community to report information about known or suspected incidents of child and domestic abuse to the installation Reporting Point of Contact (RPOC), at (910) 907-4813/4814 (Integrated Incident Management Center non-emergency dispatch), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Mandated personnel will report suspected child and domestic abuse to the RPOC and all abuse allegations will be investigated by appropriate law enforcement authorities. Commanders will be notified when their service members are involved in spouse abuse or child abuse/neglect.

5. Commanders must respond quickly and appropriately to suspicion or knowledge of any Family violence situation. Command involvement is the key to successfully addressing this problem by helping prevent repeat instances of Family violence within the unit by enforcing strict consequences, ensuring new leaders attend a FAP brief within 90 days (annually thereafter) per DoDM 6400.01 and DoDI 6400.06, and scheduling annual FAP unit briefs. For more information on FAP trainings/classes or to schedule call (910) 396-5521.

6. There are numerous support services available, including the FAP; Chaplain services; Military Family Life Counselors; Military One Source; Fort Bragg Domestic Abuse Victim Advocates who staff a 24-hour family abuse hotline at (910) 322-3418; and local civilian services to provide support for couples and parents experiencing family stressors. It is essential for leaders to help service members find help as early as possible. Particular attention should be paid to involving new parents, especially fathers, in parenting and New Parent Support Program services; to encourage new couples to seek out the variety of couples communication workshops in the community; and how to seek help via restricted or unrestricted reporting.

7. Commanders, or their designees, are required to attend the IDC for any of their service members reported for alleged Family violence. Unit leaders can vote at the IDC by completing an annual online IDC training. The IDC meetings take place at the Womack Health and Support Center, Building 4-3219, Womack Army Medical Center, (910) 907-6128/8272. For more information pertaining to the IDC training and/or meeting, call (910) 396-5521.

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8. Point of contact for this policy is Ms. Angielina Villafane, FAP Manager, (910) 396-5521, or email at [angielina.m.villafane.civ@army.mil](mailto:angielina.m.villafane.civ@army.mil).

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