



SHARP NEWSLETTER

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Army Sharp Learning Strategy

The Army SHARP Learning Strategy was approved on June 22, 2018. It outlines the comprehensive approach for building Army-wide prevention and response capability, and contributing to readiness through SHARP leader development, education, and training. The strategy applies to the Total army, and serves as a reference for SHARP Professionals, all leaders and the trainers and instructors delivering SHARP learning content and products Army-wide.

The U.S. Army Sharp Academy at Fort Leavenworth, KS, prepared this strategy in close coordinated with the Army SHARP Office. The document nests with and supports the execution of the SHARP Campaign Plan. Further, it aligns with other complementary efforts including the Army Framework for character Development, The Army Learning strategy, and the Army Leader development Strategy. Ref. Army SHARP Focus volume.VI/No. 4

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SHARP Points of Contact

82nd Airborne SHARP 910-432-0663

Fort Bragg Police Desk 910-396-0391

CID Special Victim's Unit 910-635-1758

Fort Bragg SHARP Hotline 910-585-4267

Garrison SARC 910-907-5495

Garrison SHARP Victim Advocate 910-907-3681

Sharp Mission

The Sharp program's mission is to promote an Army culture and command climate that ensures adherence to the Army Values and ensure that every Army Team member will be treated with dignity and respect at all times and in all circumstances. Every Soldier, DA civilian, and Family member serves and supports the Army and the nation: they deserve no less.



Safety Tip of the Month

When walking plan your route carefully and walk confidently. If you're being followed go into a store or other area with people, or knock on a door for help. Avoid alleys and other isolated spots. Don't wear headphones, staying alert is important.

About RAINN

The Department of Defense (DoD) has contracted with The Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN) to provide confidential and anonymous services for the DoD community.

RAINN is the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization and was rated by *Worth* magazine as one of "America's 100 Best Charities." RAINN created and operates the National Sexual Assault Hotline (800.656.HOPE) in partnership with over 1,000 local sexual assault service providers nationwide. RAINN also runs the award-winning National Sexual Assault Online Hotline (online.rainn.org) available in English and Spanish (rainn.org/es). Together, the hotlines have helped more than 2 million people since 1994.

RAINN also publicizes the hotlines' free and confidential services; educates the public about sexual violence; and leads national efforts to prevent sexual violence, improve services to victims and ensure that rapists are brought to justice.

Department of Defense (DoD) Safe Helpline services are provided by RAINN through a contract with the DoD's Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office (SAPRO) — however, your information will remain confidential. RAINN will not share your name or any other personally identifying information with SAPRO or your chain of command, unless required by law. To learn more, visit the Terms of Service Full Text of Agreements "How We May Share Information" section.

RAINN has adapted the award winning National Sexual Assault Online Hotline to provide specialized live help online at SafeHelpline.org to members of the DoD community who have been sexually assaulted. Safe Helpline is also available by calling 877-995-5247. The phone number is the same inside the U.S or worldwide via the Defense Switched Network (DSN). All Safe Helpline staff members have been trained to answer questions relating to military-specific topics such as Restricted and Unrestricted Reporting options and how to contact relevant military resources, such as the installation or base Sexual Assault Response Coordi-

Reprisal

Reprisal: Taking or threatening to take unfavorable personnel action, withholding or threatening to withhold a favorable personnel action, or any other act of retaliation, against a military member for making or preparing a protected communication is prohibited. (AR 600-20. glossary) Acts of retaliation or intimidation of any sort will not be tolerated.

Threats or acts of reprisal are forbidden by Army and DoD policy and are punishable under Uniform Code of Military Justice

Crime Victim's Bill of Rights

- Be treated with fairness, dignity and respect for one's privacy.
- Be reasonably protected from the accused.
- Be notified of court proceedings.
- Be present at public court proceedings
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- Confer with the attorney for the government in the case.
- Restitution, if appropriate.
- Receive information regarding conviction, sentencing, imprisonment and release of the offender from custody.

Definition of Consent

The term 'consent' means a freely given agreement to the conduct at issue by a competent person.

- **An expression of lack of consent through words or conduct means there is no consent.**
- **A current or previous dating or social or sexual relationship by itself or the manner of dress of the person involved with the accused in the conduct at issue shall not constitute consent.**

Sharp / Community Resources

- ♦ **Chaplain, Minister, or Spiritual leader**
- ♦ **Behavioral Health Counseling**
- ♦ **Womack Army Medical Center**
- ♦ **Legal Assistance-XVII Corps Special Victim Witness Liaison**
- ♦ **Office of Personnel Management (OPM) website for DA civilians– <http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/work-life/reference-materials/resource-list.pdf>**
- ♦ **DOD Safe Helpline 877-995-5247 or safehelpline.org services for men and women**
- ♦ **Outside resources: Rape Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN)**
- ♦ **Cumberland County Rape Crisis Center at 910-485-7273**



Do Not Victim Blame

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- Avoid using language that objectifies or degrades women and men
- Speak out if you hear someone else making an offensive joke or trivializing rape.
- If a friend says they have been raped, take your friend seriously and be supportive
- Think critically about the media's messages about women, men, relationships, and violence
- Be respectful of others' physical space even in casual situations
- Let survivors know that it is not their fault
- Hold abusers accountable for their actions: do not let them make excuses like blaming the victim, alcohol, or drugs for their behavior.
- Always communicate with sexual partners and do not assume consent
- Do not let stereotypes shape your actions.
- Be an Active Bystander!



**“Protecting Our People
Protects our Mission”**

SHARP Safety Tip of the Month

Active Bystander Intervention is when a person identifies a situation that might lead to a sexual assault, and then safely intervenes to prevent that assault from happening. Bystander intervention is an action we can all take part. Bystander intervention is what it takes to change the culture and weed out predators.