MCCS Behavioral Health

FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM

Marine Corps Recruit Depot & the Western Recruiting Region



Safe Families, Safe Homes.



Commitment to Your Family

The DoD is committed to addressing and ending domestic abuse. The Family Advocacy Program works to prevent abuse by offering programs and services to all members of the military community.

What is Domestic Violence?

Domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by a parent or partner to inflict harm and gain power and control. The term "partners" applies to current or former intimate partners that share or have shared a common domicile, have a child in common, or who have ever been married.

Domestic violence can be physical, sexual, emotional, economic, or neglect. This includes any behaviors that intimidate, manipulate, humiliate, isolate, frighten, terrorize, coerce, threaten, blame, hurt, injure, or wound someone.

Questions to Ask Yourself

- Am I afraid of my partner?
- Has my partner actually hurt or threatened to hurt me or someone I love?
- Am I constantly walking on eggshells around my partner?
- Does my partner blame me for their actions?

To learn more about our services and how we can help, please call us at: (619)524-0465

MCRD Family Advocacy Program

3602 Hochmuth Avenue Bldg 6E San Diego, CA 92140 (619) 524-0465

Victim Advocacy 24/7 Helpline (619) 279-6113

National Domestic Violence 24/7 Helpline (800) 799-7233



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Additional Behavioral Health Programs

New Parent Support Program (619) 524-0805

Community Counseling Program (619) 725-6377

Substance Abuse Counseling Center (619) 524-1912

Sexual Assault Prevent & Response (619) 718-3761

Prevention & Counseling Programs

Classes, Workshops, and Seminars

Our Prevention and Education Specialist offers individual and group opportunities for clients to learn practical skills for problem solving, maintain and develop successful relationships, enhance parenting skills, and to better manage stress and anger.

New Parent Support Program

The NPSP can help families adjust to having a new baby and the demands of parenting in the military. This prevention and outreach program offers in-home visits, parenting education classes, and information and referrals for those expecting a child or who have at least one child age 5 and under.

Counseling

Our clinicians are subject matter experts in the treatment of partner and child abuse. They can provide individual, family, or group counseling to address increased relationship conflict, parenting and marriage challenges, and trauma and abuse. Your family does not need to have an open FAP case to participate in counseling.

Command and Community Awareness

Our staff continually reaches out and collaborates with community organizations to raise awareness about our programs and to help victims and offenders. We also provide expertise and education to leadership at MCRD on domestic violence, treatment, and behavioral health issues.

Victim Advocacy

Our Victim Advocates are trained civilian professionals who work to educate, guide, and support victims. They are available 24/7 to talk confidentially to anyone experiencing domestic violence or questioning unhealthy aspects of their relationship. They provide emotional support, information on rights, and connection to civilian and military resources.

Victim Advocate Services

- 24/7 availability for victims of domestic violence
- Safety planning whether leaving or staying in the relationship
- Accompany and support through military and civilian legal proceedings
- Emotional support and accompaniment through medical appointments
- Information and referral to resources and services

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Reporting Options for Victims of Domestic Violence

There are two different reporting options for seeking help if you or a loved one have experienced domestic abuse. With either option, victims have access to victim advocacy services and counseling. Please talk with a Victim Advocate about your options and other sources of support before making a decision.

Restricted Reporting

Victims who prefer confidential assistance that does not include notification to law enforcement or military command may contact a FAP staff or a health care provider to request a "restricted report." A restricted report allows victims to evaluate their relationship choices while maintaining control over what and how much information to share with others. Victims at imminent risk cannot use the restricted report option. This option does not apply to child abuse cases or instances in which a child has witnessed domestic abuse.

Unrestricted Reporting

Victims may contact FAP staff, military police, or command to make an "unrestricted report" if they want command involvement and support. The command can offer the victim added support and protection to include protective orders and spousal support. An unrestricted report also gives the command the discretion to take administrative action against the offender.