

JBLM SAPR & SHARP



Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Program (Air Force)

And

Sexual Harassment/Assault Response Prevention (SHARP) Program (Army)



Introduction and Overview



Objectives:

- Identify Ways to Get Help
- Explain Department of Defense Policy
- Define Sexual Assault and Consent
- Explain Reporting Options
- Review Help/Safeline Info



How to Get Help



All Servicemembers and their families may call

24/7 JBLM SHARP Hotline: 253-389-8469

24/7 Domestic Violence & FAP Safeline: 253-966-SAFE/7233

• Servicemembers may also contact the DoD Safe Helpline at 877-995-5247 or online at www.safehelpline.org



Department of Defense (DoD) Sexual Assault Policy



Eliminate sexual assault within the DoD by providing a culture of prevention, education and training, response capability, victim support, reporting procedures and accountability that enhances the safety and well-being of all it's members.

- Establishes the Restricted/Unrestricted reporting options for servicemembers
- Establishes immediate response capability in all locations to ensure access to appropriate victim services
- Provides a clear Department-wide definition of sexual assault
- Provides the foundation for all training programs



Reporting Options



Restricted Reporting

- * Confidential
- * You may **only** report to:
 - -SARC
 - -Victim Advocate
 - -Healthcare Provider
 - **Chaplain
- May be changed to Unrestricted at any time
- * Does not trigger an investigation

Unrestricted Reporting

- * Limited to need to know personnel
- * You may report to your:
 - Chain of Command
 - •SARC
 - Victim Advocate
 - •Healthcare Provider
 - •911
 - •CID or Military Police.
- * May *not* be changed to Restricted
- * Triggers an investigation

- Both reporting options provide access to Advocacy services, Medical care, Counseling, and a Forensic exam.



Restricted vs. Unrestricted Reporting



Restricted Reporting

- Victim receives medical treatment and counseling
- No investigation conducted
- Does not hold offenders accountable
- Must report to SARC/VA SHARP Specialist, or Healthcare Personnel
- Applies to Soldiers and his/her adult Family members
- Legal assistance

Unrestricted Reporting

- Victim receives medical treatment and counseling
- Official investigation conducted
- Holds offenders accountable
- Victims can report to variety of resources: chain of command, law enforcement, SARC/VA/SHARP Specialist, etc.
- Applies to Soldiers and his/her adult Family members
- Administrative services (expedited transfer, protection orders, living arrangements, etc)
- Legal assistance

NOTE: DOD civilians and their adult Family members when stationed OCONUS and U.S. citizen contractor personnel when authorized to accompany Armed Forces in a contingency operation OCONUS are eligible for treatment in the military healthcare systems will be authorized limited sexual assault prevention and response services.



Definition - Sexual Assault



- ☐ Sexual assault is <u>intentional sexual contact</u>, characterized by use of force, physical threat or abuse of authority or when <u>the victim</u> <u>does not or cannot consent</u>; sexual assault can occur without regard to gender, spousal relationship, or age of victim.
 - Consent will not be deemed or construed to mean the failure by the victim to offer physical resistance
 - Consent is not given when a person uses force, threat of force or coercion, or when the victim is asleep, incapacitated, or unconscious
 - Sexual assault includes rape, nonconsensual sodomy (oral or anal sex), indecent assault (unwanted, inappropriate sexual contact or fondling), or attempts to commit these acts



What is Sexual Assault?



Sexual assault is a crime

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Statistics



- ☐ The majority of military victims are 20-24 year-old females in ranks PVT-SPC.
- Most military alleged perpetrators are 20-24 year-old males in ranks PVT-SPC.
- More than half of sexual assault cases involve alcohol or prescription drugs as well as illicit drugs.
- 80% of sexual assault victims are under age 30.
- □ 73% of sexual assaults are committed by a non-stranger.
- ☐ The average age of a rapist is 31 years old.
- ☐ In 1 of 3 sexual assaults, the perpetrator was intoxicated.
- □ Statistical data referenced from the Rape, Abuse, Incest National (RAIN) Network website.



JBLM Contact Phone Numbers



24/7 JBLM SHARP Hotline 253-389-8469

Joint Base SHARP Office

Mr. Michael Thomas Sexual Assault Resp Coord 253-967-2072

Ms. Patty Jo McGill SHARP Victim Advocate 253-966-0363

Ms. Katrina Kilmartin SHARP Victim Advocate 253-967-6211