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#### **Family Advocacy Program**

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### 11a. How does your service define DV and intimate-partner violence IPV?

- Family Advocacy Program (FAP) defines DV and IPV in accordance with Department of Defense (DoD) policy (DoD Instruction 6400.06).
- IPV is an offense under the United States Code, the Uniform Code of Military Justice, or State law involving the use, attempted use, or threatened use of force or violence against a person, or a violation of a lawful order issued for the protection of a person who is:
  - A current or former spouse.
  - A person with whom the abuser shares a child in common; or
  - A current or former intimate partner with whom the abuser shares or has shared a common domicile.





## 11b. How does your service track DV and IPV incidents, to include and not limited to non-cohabitating intimate partners and previous marital partners?

- Incidents reported to FAP are tracked in the Marine Corps Central Registry per DOD policy (DOD Manual 6400.01-V2).
  - Tracked incidents include domestic abuse that occur between intimate partners as defined by DoDI 6400.06:
    - A current or former spouse.
    - A person with whom the abuser shares a child in common; or
    - A current or former intimate partner with whom the abuser shares or has shared a common domicile.





# 11c. Who collects DV/IPV data? Who maintains this data? Who has access to this data? How is this data transferred between commands? Is this data annotated in a Service member's (i.e., abuser) permanent record?

- FAP Domestic Abuse Victim Advocates (DAVAs) and Clinicians may receive reports (DoDI 6400.06). Each installation's FAP Managers (FAPMs) are responsible for ensuring the data is entered into the Central Registry in accordance with DoDM 6400.01-V2.
- The data is maintained by Data Surveillance MFCI-2 at HQMC and submitted quarterly to Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) in accordance with DoDM 6400.01-V2.
- The data is maintained in a database and required data transfers occur via secure means in accordance with MCO 1754.11.
- The data maintained in the Central Registry is not documented in a Service member's permanent record. Service members found in violation of Department of Defense (DoD) Policy may experience legal or administrative procedures based on those violations. These procedures may be documented on a Service member's permanent record.





11d. What process is in place to ensure communication, coordination and notification occurs with civilian authorities as it relates to DV/IPV? To include, incidents that occur outside of the installation, involve a civilian partner, or civilian court order (e.g., restraining/protective order), etc.?

- In accordance with DoDI 6400.06 and MCO 1754.11, the following processes are in place:
  - Reporting to law enforcement of unrestricted reports that come to FAP.
  - Collaboration between military and civilian law enforcement agencies.
  - Establishment of Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) between law enforcement agencies.
  - Collaboration amongst Domestic Abuse Victim Advocates (DAVA) and local civilian advocacy organizations





### 11e. What can commands do to assist a servicewoman who is being abused by a non-military member?

- Utilize resources available through the FAP.
- Connect the servicewoman with the FAP DAVA.
- Refer to the Chaplain.
- Support and encourage servicewomen to access available resources and services to include local civilian law enforcement.





11f. Are there different factors to consider when the DV/IPV victim lives on-base vice off-base? For example, what resources are provided to servicewomen who need temporary shelter from an abusive domestic partner? What about servicewomen with children?

- Risk assessments drive the considerations to ensure victim safety.
- A servicewoman can be assigned to the barracks for safety.
- A servicewoman with children may be referred to a community shelter.
- Collaboration occurs amongst command, law enforcement, FAP, and additional community resources in accordance with MCO 1754.11.





### 11g. How are restraining orders handled when two members are assigned to the same base or same unit?

- Command uses their authority to intervene and make appropriate safety decisions in collaboration with recommendations from law enforcement and FAP.
- Service member victims of domestic abuse may request an expedited transfer per Section 536 of the FY18 National Defense Authorization Act.



