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From: Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point
To: Distribution List

Subj: SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM

Ref: (a) MCO 5300.17

1. Situation. To publish instructions and provide complete and comprehensive guidance for the administration of the Marine Corps Substance Abuse Program.

2. Cancellation. ASO 5355.2

3. Mission. To implement the policies and procedures outlined in the reference, and to provide additional instructions for administration of the Marine Corps Substance Abuse Program.

4. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent. Alcohol abuse and the distribution, possession, or use of illegal drugs adversely impact individual performance, readiness, and mission accomplishment. Such abuse will not be tolerated. The overall goal of the Substance Abuse Program is the elimination of illegal drug use and alcohol abuse.

(2) Concept of Operations. A thorough prevention education program must address the entire scope of drug and alcohol abuse both legal and illegal. Marines and sailors at all levels will receive prevention education and training at least annually. The key elements of the program are prevention, timely identification, appropriate discipline, and intervention, followed by restoration to full duty or separation as appropriate.

b. Tasks

(1) Director, Marine Corps Community Services through the Marine & Family Programs Director, MCAS Cherry Point shall:

(a) Establish a Substance Abuse Counseling Center (SACC) that will:

1. Provide active duty and authorized patrons with alcohol and drug screenings/assessments, as well as subsequent referrals. Screenings will be scheduled through the Unit Substance Abuse Control Officer (SACO) for active duty personnel.

2. Conduct outpatient (OP) treatment aimed at clients who have a substance use disorder and meet the placement criteria for such treatment.

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3. Conduct intensive outpatient (IOP) treatment for clients who have a substance use disorder which requires a more IOP treatment program. IOP requires more than nine hours, but not greater than 20 contact hours per week.

4. Coordinate Inpatient (IP)/Residential treatment for service members/clients who meet the placement criteria, to include drug dependent service members/clients.

5. Assist command SACO's with concerns relevant to the performance of their duties.

6. Assist the Drug Demand Reduction Coordinator (DDRC) with performance of the program, (e.g., Drug Prevention/Education and the reduction of drug abuse).

7. Assist the Alcohol Prevention Specialist (APS) with performance of the program, (e.g., Alcohol Prevention/Education and the reduction of alcohol related incidents).

(b) Assign a DDRC who will:

1. Conduct annual needs assessments of MCAS Cherry Point and tenant command illicit drug use prevention. Assessments are essential in order to identify trends, areas of concern, and to review/revise the approach from the Drug Demand Reduction Program to meet the goals of deterring illicit drug use in the Marine Corps.

2. Prepare, review, and maintain materials to be used in the Drug Demand Reduction Program.

3. Provide illicit drug use prevention and education training to all service members and authorized DoD civilian employees at least annually.

4. Disseminate educational materials that deter drug use to service members and civilian employees.

5. Maintain resources and contacts associated with the Drug Demand Reduction Program effort. These activities include, but are not limited to, marketing the program to the fullest extent possible.

6. Conduct HQMC approved SACO/Urinalysis Program Coordinator (UPC) and urinalysis monitoring training.

7. Track the unit urinalysis programs at the unit level and assist as needed.

(c) Assign a APS who will:

1. Establish a proactive Alcohol Prevention and Education Program.

2. Conduct annual needs assessments of MCAS Cherry Point and tenant command alcohol related incidents and prevention. Assessments are essential in order to identify trends, areas of concern, and to review/revise the approach from the Alcohol Prevention Program, to meet the goals of deterring alcohol abuse and alcohol related incidents in the Marine Corps.

3. Assist all commands with procedures to reduce Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)/Driving under the Influence (DUI) incidents.

4. Stress the importance of non-drinking, productive, and healthy off-duty activities.

5. Maintain, train, and assist as needed with the Alcohol Screening Program (ASP) Breathalyzer Programs.

6. Assist Commanding Officers and their unit representatives.

7. Conduct Prime for Life 4.5 training for all units that request the training.

(2) Unit Commanding Officers

(a) Ensure that all service members at all levels receive alcohol awareness and education training at least annually.

(b) Assign a unit SACO, Assistant SACO, and ASP Monitor in writing.

1. Unit SACOs will:

a. Maintain case files on all service members identified with alcohol and/or drug concerns, problems (to include self-referrals), and provide a minimum of 12 months of aftercare services for individuals who have completed the treatment programs. Case files will include, at a minimum, a chronological history of incidents, evaluations, referrals, treatment, and aftercare progress. Documented bi-weekly meetings with all individuals in the aftercare status is mandatory.

b. Monitor and document utilization of the ASP, otherwise known as "Breathalyzer Program."

c. Maintain an effective urinalysis program.

d. Submit required alcohol and drug reports as outlined in the reference.

5. Administration and Logistics. None.

6. Command and Signal

a. Command. This Order is applicable to all personnel and all subordinate and tenant Commands aboard MCAS Cherry Point and within its Area of Operation.

b. Signal. This Order is effective the date signed.


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