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

Subj: SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM

Ref: (a) MCO ~~P1700.24B~~ 5300.17

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

2. Cancellation. ABO 5355.1B.

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) AC/S, Marine Corps Community Services, MCAS Cherry Point,  
Marine and Family Service Department~~  
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(a) Establish Substance Abuse Counseling Centers (SACC) that will:

1 Conduct Early Intervention courses on Alcohol Abuse prevention and deglamorization.

2 Instruct DWI/DUI classes that provide information on National, State, and Marine Corps policies and regulations.

3 Provide active duty military personnel with alcohol or drug screening assessments and subsequent referrals. Screenings will be scheduled through the active duty members command SACO.

4 Conduct Out-Patient treatments aimed at patients who have a substance abuse disorder and meet the placement criteria for such treatment.

5 Conduct Intensive Out-Patient treatment for patients who have a substance use disorder, which requires a more intensive treatment program. Intensive Outpatient requirements call for more than 9 hours, but not greater than 20 contact hours per week.

6 Coordinate In-Patient treatment for Marines who are alcohol dependent and meet the required patient placement criteria, and for Marines diagnosed as drug dependent.

7 Assist Command SACO with concerns relevant to the performance of their duties.

8 Assist the Drug Demand Reduction Coordinator with performing duties relevant to drug prevention, education, and reduction.

(b) Assign Drug Demand Reduction Coordinators/Specialist that will:

1 Conduct annual assessments of tenant units' illegal drug use prevention needs. Assessments are essential in order to identify trends, areas of concern and to revise the Drug Demand Reduction Program to meet the goals of deterring drug use in the Marine Corps.

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

3 Provide illegal drug use prevention education training to all Marines and civilian employees at least annually.

4 Disseminate educational materials to military and civilian employees that deter illegal drug use.

5 Maintain resources and contacts associated with the Drug Demand effort. These activities include marketing the program to the fullest extent possible.

6 Perform training for SACO's, track urinalysis statistics and participate in command inspections.

7 Establish a proactive Substance Abuse education program.

8 Stress the importance of non-drinking, productive off-duty activities.

9 Implement procedures for reducing DWI/DUI.

10 Require that subordinate Commanding Officers:

a Ensure that all Marines at all levels receive prevention education and training at least annually.

b Assign in writing a unit SACO, Assistant SACO, Urinalysis Program Coordinator, and Urinalysis Observers.

c Conduct an aggressive urinalysis program testing at least 10 percent of unit personnel each month under the "IR" premise. Use random urinalysis, to include testing after periods of high risk, the day after payday, after returning from leave or long liberty periods. Conduct urinalysis in conjunction with unannounced unit readiness recalls on weekends at least quarterly.

d Notify the SACC when an individual who received treatment has been transferred.

e Encourage Marines to participate in non-drinking off duty activities that provides a means of reducing stress and combat boredom.

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(3) Unit SACO's

(1) Maintain case files on Marines identified with drug or alcohol problems and provide aftercare services for individuals who complete drug or alcohol treatment programs. Case files will include a chronological history of incidents, evaluations, referrals, treatment, and aftercare progress.

(2) Monitor and document the Marine's progress for a minimum of 12 months after treatment. A written aftercare plan will be provided by the SACC where the service member receives the treatment.

(3) Maintain an effective urinalysis program.

(4) Submit required drug and alcohol reports as outlined in the reference.

5. Administration and Logistics. None.

6. Command and Signal

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

b. Command. This Order is applicable to the Marine Corps Reserve.



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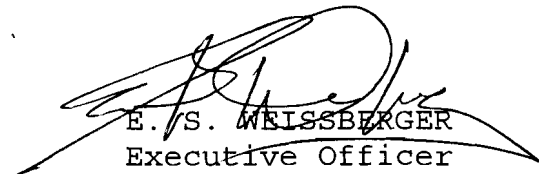
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1. Situation. To direct pen changes to the basic Order.
2. Execution
  - a. Change reference (a) to reflect MCO 5300.17.
  - b. Change page 1, paragraph 4.b.(1) to reflect "Chief Executive Officer, Marine Corps Community Services, MCAS Cherry Point, Marine and Family Programs."
3. Filing Instructions. File this change transmittal immediately behind the signature page of the basic Order.

  
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