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1. REFERENCES:
A. AR 600-63, ARMY HEALTH PROMOTION/07 MAY 2007
C. VCSA ARMY SUICIDE PREVENTION TASK FORCE DIRECTED SUICIDE PREVENTION TASK FORCES (SPTFS) FROM ALL COMPOS TO DEVELOP RESOURCE LISTINGS AND MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH LOCAL SUICIDE PREVENTION / INTERVENTION / TREATMENT SERVICES, AND DISSEMINATE PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE TO EDUCATE SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES OF AVAILABLE LOCAL RESOURCES.

2. THE PURPOSE OF THIS ALARACT MESSAGE IS TO ENCOURAGE COMMANDERS TO HAVE THEIR SUICIDE PREVENTION TASK FORCE (SPTF) IDENTIFY AND COORDINATE A RESOURCE LISTING, MOAS WITH LOCAL SUICIDE PREVENTION / INTERVENTION / TREATMENT SERVICES (IF NECESSARY), AND TO PUBLICIZE THEIR AVAILABILITY TO SUPPORT THE NEEDS OF GEOGRAPHICALLY-DISPERSED SOLDIERS.
A. THE REVISED AR 600-63, ARMY HEALTH PROMOTION, PUBLICATION OF WHICH IS IMPENDING AS DEFINED IN AR 25-30 (PARA. 2-3 A. (2)), DIRECTS GARRISON COMMANDERS TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY HEALTH PROMOTION COUNCIL (CHPC) AND NON-INSTALLATION-BASED COMMANDS TO ESTABLISH A CHPC WHERE PRACTICAL. WHEN SUPPORTING ELEMENTS AND RESOURCES ARE TOO GEOGRAPHICALLY DISPERSED TO SUPPORT A CHCP, NON-INSTALLATION BASED COMMANDS WILL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT STRATEGIES TO ACCOMPLISH SIMILAR GOALS.
B. THE REVISED DA PAM 600-24, HEALTH PROMOTION, RISK REDUCTION AND SUICIDE PREVENTION, ALSO IMPENDING PUBLICATION, PROVIDES SPECIFIC GUIDANCE FOR COMMANDS OF GEOGRAPHICALLY DISPERSED SOLDIERS TO IMPLEMENT STRATEGIES TO LEVERAGE NON-INSTALLATION-BASED SERVICES AVAILABLE AT THE NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL LEVELS TO ENSURE SOLDIERS HAVE APPROPRIATE SUPPORT REGARDLESS OF THEIR LOCATION. THE REVISED DA PAM 600-24 WILL INCLUDE SOME OF THE NATIONAL RESOURCES AND AN APPENDIX OF ONLINE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO SOLDIERS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND ARMY CIVILIANS. AN ADDITIONAL SOURCE FOR LOCAL AND REGIONAL INFORMATION IS THE MILITARY INSTALLATIONS PAGE OF THE MILITARYHOMEFRONT WEBSITE (HTTP://WWW.MILITARYHOMEFRONT.DOD.MIL/). SELECT THE MILITARY INSTALLATIONS HYPERLINK FOUND AT THE LOWER LEFT CORNER OF THE PAGE. THIS IS THE OFFICIAL DOD SOURCE FOR INSTALLATION AND STATE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO ACTIVE DUTY, GUARD AND RESERVE SERVICE AND FAMILY MEMBERS.
3. COMMANDERS SHOULD INSTRUCT THEIR SPTFS TO DEVELOP STRATCOMS TO EDUCATE SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES OF THE NATIONAL AND LOCAL COMMUNITY RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THEM.

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5. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN APPROVED BY ARMY G-1.

6. EXPIRATION DATE IS 1 SEP 2010.