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SUBJECT: AVAILABILITY OF SUICIDE AWARENESS BRIEFING FOR ARMY FAMILIES AND DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY CIVILIANS

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ROUTINE

DA PENTAGON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, ALARACT RELEASE AUTHORITY

1. REFERENCES:

A. AR 600-63, ARMY HEALTH PROMOTION DATED 20 SEP 2009

B. VCSA ARMY CAMPAIGN PLAN FOR HEALTH PROMOTION, RISK REDUCTION, AND SUICIDE PREVENTION (ACPHP) TASK FORCE TASK NUMBER PE 4.10: DEVELOP SUICIDE AWARENESS BRIEFINGS FOR ARMY FAMILY MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY (DA) CIVILIANS

2. THE PURPOSE OF THIS ALARACT MESSAGE IS TO INFORM COMMANDERS OF AVAILABILITY OF ARMY SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS TRAINING FOR ARMY FAMILIES (ACTIVE DUTY, RESERVE, AND GUARD) AND DA CIVILIANS. THIS TRAINING WAS DEVELOPED BY THE UNITED STATES ARMY CENTER FOR HEALTH PROMOTION AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE (USACHPPM). THE ARMY FAMILY AND DA CIVILIANS AWARENESS TRAINING INFORMATION INCLUDES INSTRUCTOR GUIDES, VIDEOS, AND GRAPHIC TRAINING AIDS AVAILABLE AT THE USACHPPM WEBPAGE [HTTP://CHPPM-WWW.APGEA.ARMY.MIL/](http://CHPPM-WWW.APGEA.ARMY.MIL/) AND THE ARMY G-1 WEBPAGE [HTTP://WWW.ARMYG1.ARMY.MIL/HR/SUICIDE/DEFAULT.ASP](http://WWW.ARMYG1.ARMY.MIL/HR/SUICIDE/DEFAULT.ASP).

3. WHILE THE TRAINING IS NOT MANDATORY FOR ARMY FAMILIES, IT WILL BE IMPLEMENTED BY ORGANIZATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM MANAGERS, AND/OR CHAPLAINS AND/OR AVAILABLE ARMY RESERVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SUPPORT THROUGH COMMAND CHANNELS. YELLOW RIBBON EVENTS SHOULD BE UTILIZED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT POSSIBLE AS THE TRAINING PLATFORM FOR ARMY RESERVE FAMILIES. COMMANDERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THE STATE'S RED CROSS OFFICE AND/OR DOD JOINT FAMILY SUPPORT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (JSAP) TEAM AT EACH JOINT NATIONAL GUARD STATE HQ FOR ADDITIONAL TRAINING ASSISTANCE.

4. DA CIVILIANS WILL BE PROVIDED SUICIDE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS TRAINING AS AN ANNUAL MANDATORY TRAINING REQUIREMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH AR 600-63.

5. POC ARE MR. WALTER MORALES, (703) 571-5576, E-MAIL
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6. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DCS, G-1.

7. EXPIRATION DATE IS 1 DEC 2010.

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