



PREVENTIVE LAW SERIES
FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM



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WHAT IS THE FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM?

The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) is designed to prevent child abuse and spousal abuse, intervene effectively when incidents occur, promote healthy family life, treat those who have a history of abuse, and improve readiness and retention. FAP is primarily composed of professional counselors and social workers who specialize in assisting family members with the challenges of family life. The focus is on treatment and not on the potentially criminal or adverse administrative aspects which some family problems (e.g. domestic violence) may create.

HOW DOES THE PROCESS WORK?

Upon receipt of information that there is a possibility of domestic violence or other family problems within a military family, a board composed of FAP members, a physician, a judge advocate, and a line officer vote to determine whether the facts of a given situation warrants some counseling and treatment on some level. Cases are referred to the FAP from various sources: Fleet and Family Support Center, chaplains, commands, medical, Base Security, individuals, and others. FAP then contacts both the command and the service member to arrange an interview with the family and a social worker. A review committee investigates the case and reports their findings to the case worker. The case worker reports their findings back to the member's command, which may in turn, review the recommendations and order the member to undergo treatment. Cases are then monitored for up to one year.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Family Advocacy Program on Naval Base San Diego is located in Building 261, 937 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92132. Its hours are M-F 0730-1700. It can be reached at (619) 556-8809.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

A legal assistance attorney is available by appointment Monday from 0800 - 1100 and 1300 - 1500, Tuesday through Thursday (excluding the fourth Wednesday of the month) from 0900 - 1100 and 1300 - 1500 and Friday from 0900 - 1045. Powers of attorney and notaries are available at the same times. For more information, please contact the Legal Assistance Office, located in Building 56, 32nd Street Naval Station, San Diego, CA, by telephone at (619) 556-2211, or our office at Naval Air Station North Island – Coronado, Building 318 – Second Deck, above the Fleet and Family Support Center, Saufley Road, by telephone at (619) 545-6437.

RESOURCES

Family Advocacy Program, San Diego: 937 N. Harbor Dr., Bldg. 261, San Diego, CA 92132; (619) 556-8809;

www.cnic.navy.mil/ffr/family_readiness/fleet_and_family_support_program/family_advocacy.html

Family Advocacy Program, Fallon: Naval Air Station Fallon, Bldg. #309, Fallon, NV 89496; (775) 426-3333;

<http://navylifesw.com/fallon/families/ffsc/>

Family Advocacy Program, Lemoore: 966 Franklin Avenue, Lemoore, CA 93246; (559) 998-4042;

<http://m.military.com/base-guide/naval-air-station-lemoore/contact/family-advocacy-program/6370>

Family Advocacy Program, Monterey: Presidio of Monterey, Bldg. #4260, Seaside, CA 93955; (831) 242-7653;

<http://www.pom-fmwr.com/fmwr/index.php/family/acs/family-advocacy-program>

Family Advocacy Program, Ventura: 1000 23rd Ave, Bldg. #1169, Port Hueneme, CA 93042; (805) 982-3155;

<https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Ventura/FleetAndFamilyReadiness/index.htm>

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