

# DoD Technical Assistance Centers for Primary Prevention of Harmful Behaviors in the Military

DoD technical assistance centers (TAC) provide training and technical assistance (TTA) to build the capacity of leaders and the integrated primary prevention workforce (IPPW) to prevent harmful behaviors and evaluate implemented prevention activities. Harmful behaviors include sexual assault, harassment, retaliation, suicide, and domestic and child abuse. This resource is available to the Military Services, including the Reserves and Academies, National Guard and in a limited capacity to Coast Guard\*.

## Integrated Prevention Technical Assistance Center (IPTAC)

*DoD and CDC Violence Prevention Agency Agreement*

### TTA is focused on integrated primary prevention planning and implementation

**ENGAGING KEY COLLABORATORS.** Involving key collaborators in the development and implementation of comprehensive integrated prevention plans.

**ASSESSING NEEDS.** Gather and analyze data to determine the status of harmful behaviors and corresponding risk and protective factors in a military community. Identify populations at greatest risk for harmful behaviors.

**SETTING GOALS.** Develop goals that reflect a community's needs and priorities and align with DoD's integrated primary prevention policies.

**BUILDING IPPW CAPACITY.** Support planning related to Service specific training and workforce development.

**SELECTING ACTIVITIES.** Determine right mix of research-based programs, policies, and practices to address factors across the social ecology.

**IMPLEMENTATION AND ADAPTATION OF ACTIVITIES.** Make decisions and problem solving around adaptation and implementation of selected activities.

**DEFINING OUTCOMES AND PLANNING FOR EVALUATION.** Clarify intended outcomes of prevention activities.

*\*USCG participation in IPTAC limited to group activities with other Services*

## Evaluation Technical Assistance Center (ETAC)

*DoD SAPRO and OFR Violence Prevention Cell Partnership*

### TTA is focused on evaluation of implemented prevention activities

**BUILDING EVALUATION CAPACITY.** Responsive TTA across various evaluation planning and implementation topics. Ad hoc TTA to build capacity for evaluation of prevention efforts in military environments.

**EVALUABILITY ASSESSMENTS.** Determine if program is ready for evaluation. Identify and engage key collaborators, describe the program/intervention and its existing evidence base, and identify evaluation goals and outcomes.

**DESIGN.** Determine an evaluation design, design data collection tools and processes, identify measures.

**IMPLEMENTATION.** Collect and manage data, along with guidance on tools for data collection.

**ANALYSIS.** Identify appropriate analysis approaches.

**INTERPRETATION.** Make sense of data to answer your research questions.

**DISSEMINATION.** Share evaluation data and use it to make decisions.

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Learning modules: Online,  
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Individualized training:  
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