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PURPOSE & FORMAT
The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Monthly Snapshot aims to give Marines awareness of sexual assault, specifically to provide information on the number of reported incidents each month and prevention efforts in the fleet. Fiscal Year 2018 (FY18) data presented herein are subject to change and will not be finalized or official until release of the respective Department of Defense (DoD) Annual Report on Sexual Assault in the Military, expected in May 2019.

REPORTED INCIDENTS
Based on the 2016 Workplace and Gender Relations Survey, sexual assault continues to be an underreported crime; however, a greater proportion of individuals were estimated to report in 2016 than in 2014. This is important because reporting is a catalyst for victim care and offender accountability. The data presented below are drawn from the DoD Sexual Assault Incident Database (DSAID) and are current as of 1 September 2018.

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*Any Marine who comes forward to report a sexual assault will receive advocacy and support, no matter when the sexual assault occurred. As a result, prior-to-Service incidents are counted in the total number of reports.

†Alcohol involvement is self-reported and refers to any alcohol use by the victim, subject, or both.

Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC) SAPR hosted the 2018 Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) Annual Training aboard MCB Quantico from 15-17 August. The three day training included approximately 50 SARGs from across the Marine Corps.

The training kicked off with opening remarks from Rear Admiral (RADM) Ann Burkhardt, Director of Department of Defense Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office (DoD SAPRO). RADM Burkhardt discussed the importance of prevention, how to understand prevalence and reporting data, and working with the command team.

Speakers were brought in from the Marine Corps, the DoD, and the civilian sector to provide a broad range of subject matter expertise and dynamic discussions. HQMC Behavioral Programs presented updates and covered training topics, such as suicide prevention, DSAID, expedited transfers, and incorporating measures of effectiveness and performance into SAPR trainings and events. Training topics from external speakers included prevention initiatives, digital media additions, and emotional intelligence.

This year, SARC Annual Training included opportunities for training and networking. SARCs from across the Marine Corps joined with HQMC SAPR staff after the final day training.

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HQMC SAPR thanks all of the SARCs who were able to attend the SARC Annual Training.

What are you, your peers, or your leaders doing to prevent sexual assault and raise awareness of the SAPR Program? Email Lindsay.reed@usmc.mil with your story. (Use the subject line “Monthly Snapshot Story.”)
New SARC’s Join Our SAPR Team

Please join us in welcoming:

- LT Ugochukwu Nwosu, appointed 6 July 2018, to Chemical Biological Incident Response Force
- Mr. Gary Conners, appointed 7 August 2018, to Marine Forces South
- Capt Justin Farnell, appointed 16 August 2018, to Marine Aircraft Group 16

SARC Bi-Monthly Teleconference

HQMC SAPR will be hosting the bi-monthly teleconference on 13 September. Contact Lindsay Reed for additional information regarding the teleconference.

Excellence in Primary Prevention

DoD SAPRO announced its annual Excellence in Primary Prevention Award. The winner from each Service will be announced in October. For more information, see MARADMIN 440/18 or contact Lindsay Reed.

Training MARADMIN

MARADMIN 391/18 was released in July 2018 and outlines the updated requirements for SAPR trainings. Contact Christine Heit for more information.

SAPR Spotlight: SARC of the Year

During the SARC Annual Training, RADM Burkhardt and Mrs. Marie Balocki, Director of Marine and Family Programs Division, presented Christina Chavez, MARFORCOM SARC, with the 2017 SARC of the Year Award. In 2014, Ms. Chavez was appointed as the first civilian Marine Forces SARC. Since then, Ms. Chavez achieved many accomplishments.

Ms. Chavez collaborated with the Department of Navy SAPRO to have MARFORCOM Marines contribute to the graphic novel. The novel addressed sexual assault, sexual harassment, and alcohol misuse. She found new and innovative ways to educate Marines about sexual assault; to help make Marines more receptive to the material she taught, Chavez brought in uniformed members to assist with the train-the-trainer course in the areas of leadership and the non-commissioned officer (NCO) role in the SAPR programs. She also took trainings a step further by using kinesthetic learning toys to appeal to all adult learners.

SAPR Spotlight: MCCES Service Center Basketball Bash

Marine Corps Communications–Electronics School (MCCES) hosted a Basketball Bash over the 4 July holiday weekend. The Basketball Bash was a collaborative awareness effort hosted by the Service Center. This effort included SAPR, Marine and Family Life Counselors, and the Chaplain. The Basketball Tournament aimed to provide the student population with a positive and productive activity over the holiday weekend, as well as a means of fostering teamwork and boosting morale. The Basketball Bash was a great opportunity for the Service Center team to get facetime with the highest at-risk population and spread information about available resources.

This event hosted 10 teams of five players, as well as over 50 spectators. The teams were comprised of students and one permanent personnel team, titled the "Old Timers". The "Old Timers" included the Communication Training Battalion Commanding Officer, First Sergeant, and instructors. The Service Center provided and served chow to all event attendees.