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1. The Secretary of the Navy has tasked the Department of the Navy Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office to conduct a department-wide sexual assault survey. The survey, which is online and anonymous, will be used to assess the effectiveness of the SAPR program and to determine the scope of sexual assaults in the Navy and Marine Corps. The survey can be completed in less than ten minutes, and all Marines and Sailors are encouraged to participate. MARADMIN 374/11 provides details on this survey. The suspense date is 30 September. I ask for your help in disseminating the link to the survey:  
<http://www.donsapro.navy.mil/SURVEY.HTML>

2. There is no place for sexual assault in this organization. As leaders, we determine the command climate. We are charged with the responsibility for creating an environment that does not condone sexual violence. Beginning in FY12 our Non-Commissioned Officers (NCOs) will begin receiving a newly-designed SAPR bystander intervention class. "Take A Stand" follows the format of "Never Leave A Marine Behind" suicide training. This interactive approach will feature videos, guided discussions and activities. The Commandant, Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, senior leaders and Marines that have been the victims of sexual assault are featured in the videos. Throughout the new training, NCOs are reminded of their responsibility to each other and to our most at-risk population, junior Marines. This training will provide our younger leaders with another tool to help foster a positive climate where trust in the chain of command is apparent and Marines can easily seek out help and resources about sexual assault. Uniformed Victim Advocates will deliver this training to the NCOs in their units and the course will fulfill NCO annual SAPR training requirements.

3. Your support for the SAPR program continues to reap dividends as we seek to educate every Marine and Sailor about their inherent responsibility to prevent sexual assaults in the Marine Corps. For more information concerning the survey, upcoming training or the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program, please contact the Camp Pendleton SAPR Program Manager, Ms. Hollie Kelly at 760.763.8209.

  
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