ALARACT 043/2012

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SUBJECT: COMMANDER'S SUSPECTED SUICIDE EVENT REPORT (CSSER)

- 1. REFERENCES:
- A. ARMY REGULATION (AR) 600-63, ARMY HEALTH PROMOTION, DATED 7 SEP 10.
- B. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PAMPHLET 600-24, HEALTH PROMOTION, RISK REDUCTION AND SUICIDE PREVENTION, DATED 7 SEP 10.
- C. ARMY HEALTH PROMOTION AND RISK REDUCTION TASK FORCE DIRECTOR'S MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: COMMANDER'S SUSPECTED SUICIDE EVENT REPORT (CSSER) DATED 16 FEB 11.
- D. RECENT ARMY SUICIDE TRENDS, VCSA SENDS, 20 MAY 11.
- 2. THE PURPOSE OF THIS ALARACT MESSAGE IS TO INFORM COMMANDERS OF A REVISION TO THE COMMANDER'S SUSPECTED SUICIDE EVENT REPORT (CSSER) TO COMPLY WITH DOD DIRECTED STANDARDIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE REPORTING AND COLLECTION OF DATA RELATIVE TO SUICIDES OR SUSPECTED SUICIDES. ADDITIONAL DATA POINTS HAVE BEEN ADDED TO PROVIDE BETTER CLARITY TO LEADERS REGARDING THE VARIABLES ASSOCIATED WITH EACH CASE AND SOME FIELDS HAVE BEEN EXPANDED AND MERGED WITH OTHERS.
- 3. THE CSSER REVISIONS WILL BE REFLECTED IN THE NEXT REWRITE OF AR 600-63, ARMY HEALTH PROMOTION AND DA PAM 600-24, HEALTH PROMOTION, RISK REDUCTION AND SUICIDE PREVENTION. THE NEXT REWRITE OF AR 600-63 AND DA PAM 600-24 WILL INCLUDE A POLICY CHANGE REQUIRING ACTIVE DUTY COMMANDERS TO FORWARD AN INITIAL CSSER TO DCS, G-1 ARMY HEALTH PROMOTION AND RISK REDUCTION DIRECTORATE (PROVISIONAL) ATTN:

 OPMG/LAW ENFORCEMENT LIAISON OFFICER (CURRENTLY CW3 SABRINA WILLIAMS AT WILLIAMSS1-HQTMP@CONUS.ARMY.MIL OR 703-601-9539, WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF AN INCIDENT; ARMY NATIONAL GUARD, ARMY RESERVE COMMANDERS, AND NOTON-ACTIVE-DUTY HAVE 30 DAYS TO SUBMIT THE INTIAL REPORT. THE CURRENT GUIDANCE REQUIRING SUBMISSION OF A COMPLETED REPORT WITHIN 30 DAYS OF OCCURANCE REMAINS UNCHANGED.
- 4. THIS REPORT WAS DEVELOPED BASED ON INTERNAL REVIEW OF INVESTIGATIONS AND REFLECTS THE MOST FREQUENTLY OCCURRING STRESSORS RELATED TO THIS TOPIC. COMMANDERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO USE THIS FORM, PENDING THE REWRITE OF AR 600-63 AND DA PAM 600-24, WHEN AR 15-6 INVESTIGATIONS FOR SUICIDE ARE BEING PERFORMED. COMMUNITY HEALTH

PROMOTION COUNSELS AND INSTALLATION FATALITY REVIEW BOARDS ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED TO USE THIS REPORT AS PART OF THEIR REVIEW PROCESS.

- 5. A COPY OF THE REVISED CSSER IS ATTACHED TO THIS ALARACT AND AVAILABLE AT THE ARMY G-1, SUICIDE PREVENTION WEBSITE AT:
 WWW.PREVENTSUICIDE.ARMY.MIL. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT THE ARMY SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM OFFICE, MS. SHERRY SIMMONS-COLEMAN AT SHERRY.D.SIMMONSCOLEMAN.CIV@MAIL.MIL, 703-601-9353 OR MR. WALTER MORALES AT WALTER.O.MORALES.CIV@MAIL.MIL, 703-601-9128 OR CW3 WILLIAMS AT WILLIAMSS1-HQTMP@CONUS.ARMY.MIL, 703-601-9539.
- 6. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES POLICY DIRECTORATE.
- 7. EXPIRATION DATE CANNOT BE DETERMINED.