

Resilience

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Overview



- What is Resilience
- How to be resilient
- Where to seek help/support if needed

Definition



Resilience is defined as the ability to grow and thrive in the face of challenges and to bounce back from adversity.

Resilience Feeds Itself



Inside Resources:

- Courage
- Values
- Beliefs
- Etc.

Skills:

- Natural Talents
- Learned/Practiced Skills

Other Strengths:

- Inherited
- Learned
- Chosen

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Outside Resources

- People
- Information
- Organizations
- Nature
- Etc.

More Strengths, Skills, and Resources

How Can We Be Resilient?



- Cultivate a support system
- Talk with other who are supportive
- Have fun!

- Help build positive and meaningful interactions among people
- Help increase individuals' sense of purpose, meaning, and belonging

Care, Commit, Communicate, and Celebrate



- Promote both individual and organizational resilience
- Create a sense of belonging among Airmen, spouses, children, civilians, and the community as a whole

Loss of Resiliency



- Weight gain or loss
- Fitness test failures
- Romantic relationship crises
- Depression
- Mood changes
- At the extreme, suicide

What to Do



- Act on the issue
- Pay attention to warning signs
- Changes in habits, altered mannerisms, insomnia, or an inability to accomplish simple tasks are all indicators demanding action
- Do not wait for things to get better, be proactive

What to Do (cont.)



- Often all that is needed is a break, a breather, or just a chance to recharge
- Add built-in relaxation time to your weekly schedule
- Do an activity that allows you to work off some stress
- Some folks really thrive on a workout routine which also helps address fitness requirements

Seek Help



- Get help when necessary
- Say something if an Airman or unit is obviously not functioning well
- Get actively involved—Remember, being a wingman is not an option
- Being a wingman is not a job for the weak at-heart

Where to Seek Help



Airman & Family Readiness
 Office: 716-236-3411

Chaplains Office: 716-236-2395

Commander/Supervisor

Veterans' Crisis Line, 24/7 800-273-TALK (8255), option 1

Director of Psychological Health BB: 716-534-4209

Military & Family Life Consultant

Physician

• VA/Vet Center 716-862-7350

National Suicide Prevention Hotline 800-273-TALK(8255)

• www.MilitaryOneSource.com 800-342-9647 (24/7)

www.WingmanProject.org

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