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Facilitating Help-Seeking Behavior for Psychological Health Concerns in Service Members

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In April 2016 the Government Accountability Office (GAO) published, Human Capital: Additional Actions needed to Enhance DoD's Effort to Address Mental Health Care Stigma. The report demonstrated the stigma related to mental health care within the DoD. GAO made seven recommendations stemming from the study and data analysis.

The Interagency Task Force on Military and Veterans Mental Health, 2013 Annual Report is a comprehensive joint task stemming from Executive Order 13625 from President Obama. This summary demonstrates the execution of that order by collaboration with the Departments of Defense (DoD), Veterans Affairs (VA), and Health and Human Services (HHS), in coordination with other federal agencies, to take steps to ensure that veterans, service members and their families receive the mental health and substance use services and support they need.

Military OneSource is a DoD -funded program available to all service members (including those in the National Guard and reserves), their families, and members of DOD's Civilian Expeditionary Workforce. The program provides confidential, short -term, non-medical counseling services both face-to -face and remotely, and information and resources on topics including deployments, parenting, and relationships.

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