



From The DASAF

As I look across our Army today, I continue to be amazed by the dedication of our Leaders, Soldiers, Families and Civilians to not only our missions, but also the well-being of our force. Through engaged leadership, Soldiers looking out for one another and Family involvement in safety programs, we are well on our way to another year of record lows in fatal Army accidents. Thanks for all you do to take care of our nation's most precious resources — our Soldiers, Families and Civilian workforce.

One of the bittersweet realities of military service is the certainty of goodbyes, and it's time for the USACR/Safety Center team to bid farewell to CSM Mike Eyer. Beginning this month, CSM Eyer will assume responsibilities as command sergeant major for the 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Red Cloud, Korea. This move presents a tremendous opportunity for CSM Eyer and his Family, and we wish them the best as they begin their next chapter of Army life.

During his time at the USACR/Safety Center, CSM Eyer has been a tireless advocate for the safety of our Band of Brothers and Sisters. His work here has left an enduring legacy in our Army, and I am confident the Soldiers, Family members and Civilians of the 2ID are in good and capable hands with CSM Eyer on board. Thank you, CSM Eyer, for everything you've done and continue to do to keep our Army Safe and Strong!

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Moving On With Safety In Mind

Army life is full of changes, and the time has come for me to move on to my next challenging assignment. However, I cannot leave the USACR/Safety Center without sharing with you — our Band of Brothers and Sisters — a few key thoughts from my time here. I've been able to see firsthand what our Soldiers, Family members and Civilians are doing every day, and I remain totally convinced our Army is on the right track for safety.

Traditionally, Leaders have done the hard work with regard to safety. As a result, many of our Soldiers today don't understand the composite risk management process because they haven't had to think through it. My best

advice for Leaders is to continue encouraging their Soldiers to think and make smart safety decisions for themselves through continued coaching, teaching and mentoring. Our Soldiers must be educated and empowered enough to be their own best advocates for safety, both on and off duty. Leaders must also set the standard in all they do all the time, abiding by the principle of “don’t set a new standard, but enforce the ones that exist.”

A vital part of engaged leadership is providing Soldiers with the knowledge to manage their own unique risks. CRM should be a key element in every Soldier’s individual training, and our first-line Leaders are the best starting point for this instruction. As Leaders, we must show our Soldiers how to operate within their left and right limits safely and continually hold them to those standards. By placing that responsibility on their shoulders, we create smarter and safer Soldiers who can think through the toughest of situations and apply that same knowledge to their off-duty lives. Our Soldiers are our most valuable sensors on the battlefield, and making them part of the risk management process will sharpen their skills and make them even more effective in everything they do. Ask your Soldiers for their input on risk mitigation during your next mission — you’ll be surprised at how open and creative they’ll be with just a little encouragement!

We must also continue to engage our wonderful Family members, keeping them informed and allowing them to be part of the CRM process during their Soldiers’ off-duty time. Our Families have and will always have the greatest impact on our Soldiers and are a powerful ally in keeping our Army safe. Be sure to involve them in your safety programs and use their powerful influence for good.

My duties at the USACR/Safety Center have taken me literally all over the world, from locations across the United States to Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait, Germany, Belgium, Italy, Japan and elsewhere. In every location, I’ve been impressed by our Soldiers’ dedication to duty and to each other. Even in the remotest of locations, I’ve always found our Soldiers doing what they’re supposed to do, staying engaged and actively working to keep themselves and their peers safe and in the fight. You can always rely on the American Soldier to do the right thing, especially when their leadership demonstrates trust in their competence and gives them an example to follow. Battle buddies and peers make a difference — never leave a fallen Soldier.

I will miss the many opportunities I’ve had to meet and talk with our Soldiers, Family members and Civilians during my tenure here, but each and every one of you has made a tremendous impact on me and my personal commitment to Army safety. I remain proud and humbled to have had the chance to serve our Army as a member of the USACR/Safety Center team, and I thank you for what you do every day. Stay safe in all you do, and best wishes for the future!

Army Safe is Army Strong!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Eyer". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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