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MEMORANDUM FOR Military and Civilian Families

SUBJECT: Problematic Sexual Behavior in Children and Youth (PSB-CY)

- 1. The Army is dedicated to providing a safe, nurturing environment for the children of our Soldiers and their families. We understand the importance of this responsibility and are committed to upholding the highest standards of care in our facilities. In alignment with this commitment, our focus on continuous improvement, and greater transparency, the Army published Execution Order (EXORD) 201-24, "Implementation Guidance for Installation Response to Problematic Sexual Behavior in Children and Youth," on May 17, 2024. This EXORD ensures standard operating procedures and compliance across Army installations when responding to reports of problematic sexual behavior in children and youth (PSB-CY) and the notification of parents in accordance with the following timeline.
 - a. On the day the incident is identified, Child Youth and School Services (CYSS) or Department of Defense Education Activity on the installation will communicate PSB-CY incidents to parents and guardians of impacted and exhibiting children. They will make the notification consistent with the Privacy Act guidelines. The appropriate organization will report all PSB-CY incidents that occur on a military installation to the Family Advocacy Program Manager (FAPM). Once FAPM is notified, they will immediately provide resources and support services to children, youth, and their families.
 - b. Within 24 hours of receiving the report, the FAPM will notify the installation law enforcement. If child abuse and/or neglect, or co-occurrence of domestic abuse is suspected, the FAPM will communicate with the appropriate civilian Child Welfare Services (CWS) agency, FAP clinical chief, and appropriate law enforcement agency, in accordance with DoD and DA policies as well as Federal, State, local, and host nation laws.
 - c. Within three days, the FAPM is required to establish a multidisciplinary team (MDT) that will address safety and risk factors, recommend treatment, counseling, and appropriate intervention for all incidents.
- 2. The Army is committed to ensuring the safety and security of children in our care. To ensure transparent and timely communication with parents, we will post policy changes or additional guidance regarding PSB-CY on the Army Quality of Life website at https://www.army.mil/qualityoflife/childcare, and Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program, the Child and Youth School Services communication channels.

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- 3. For any questions or concerns regarding the process, the families can contact their FAPM for guidance.
- 4. The point of contact for this memorandum is Ms. Tanya Juarez, 571-256-8864, tanya.m.juarez.civ@army.mil; or Dr. Carmen Leggett, carmen.h.leggett.civ@army.mil.

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