## \* STRENGTHENING SERVICE CULTURE \*

COMMANDANT'S DIRECTED ACTIONS ACCOUNTABILITY & TRANSPARENCY IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

## 17 COMPLETED

## Accountability and Transparency Review (ATR) Implementation Summit

Held Senior Leader Summit to learn the neuroscience of trauma and trauma-informed communication, hear from survivors of military sexual violence, and gain a personal understanding of how these incidents impact victims' lives and impair units' ability to conduct missions safely and effectively. May 24: Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace

#### Senior Leader Engagement 2024 Commanding Officers' Conference

Added skill-focused training on improving command climate to the 2024 Commanding Officers' conferences. <u>May 24:</u>

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#### **Online Mandated Training**

Reestablished standalone mandatory Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recovery training, rather than including it within Resiliency Training. **Coast Guard Training Portal** 

#### **Victim Mentor**

Created a survivor-focused option within the Coast Guard's mentorship program.

### **Highest Grade Held**

Improved policy to clarify factors that trigger reopening a retired officer's Highest Grade Determination. *May 24:* Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace

#### **Characterization of Service**

Ensured members found guilty of sexual assault or harassment will be processed for separation, and without receiving an honorable discharge. <u>May 24: Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace</u>

### **Safe to Report Policy**

Established a Safe to Report policy so members reporting sexual assault won't be punished for minor collateral violations such as underage drinking or breaking barracks rules. Feb 29: Take a closer look at the Coast Guard's Safe to Report policy

#### **Administrative Separation Board**

Established policy for victims to be present and allowed to speak during administrative separation proceedings related to sexual assault.

### **Coast Guard Academy Reporting Structure**

Made the Coast Guard Academy Superintendent a direct report to the Vice Commandant. <u>Dec. 6: Commandant</u> <u>sets course for Coast Guard to improve accountability, transparency</u>

#### **Cadet Swab Summer**

Improved the cadet summer training program. <u>June 16: Coast Guard updates Swab Summer for incoming Academy cadets</u>

#### **Cadet Oversight**

Improved oversight in cadet barracks. <u>May 24: Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace</u>

#### **Cadet Conduct System**

Improved the cadet conduct system so it is more effective.

June 18: Coast Guard answers questions the workforce
may have after the Commandant's recent testimony

### **Cadet Victim Support**

Explored options to allow cadet victims to transfer to another service academy.

## **Coast Guard-wide Climate Survey**

Completed a service-wide Defense Organizational Climate Survey in addition to individual units' surveys. <u>May 24:</u> <u>Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace</u>

## **Command Transparency Toolkit**

Created a toolkit to help commands improve climate and address Sexual Assault, Prevention, Response, and Recovery incidents. *Command Toolkit* 

#### **Resources Hub**

Published a Resources Hub with resources on prevention, accountability, support and recovery. <u>Crisis Support ></u> <u>United States Coast Guard > USCG Resources</u>

## **Workforce In-Person Training Modules**

Developed training modules on Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recovery, bystander intervention, climate, and accountability to incorporate into leadership training. May 24: Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace

## **10 IN PROGRESS**

#### **Preparatory Course for New Recruits**

Establish a culture and resiliency course immediately after recruit training. <u>June 26: Future Cape May grads will head to one-week acclimation course</u>

#### **Bystander Intervention Training**

Develop a plan to expand in-person bystander intervention training for all members starting in 2025. <u>May 24:</u>
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## In-Person Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recovery (SAPRR) Training

Develop a plan to provide in-person Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recovery training to all members beginning in 2025. *May 24: Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace* 

#### **Victim Recovery**

Evaluate options to improve care for sexual assault victims.

## **Expand Core Values Campaign**

Establish a Core Values engagement campaign to ensure all members demonstrate and promote honor, respect and devotion to duty at all times. *June 6: Strengthening Service Culture through Our Core Values* 

## **Officer Evaluation System**

Update Officer Evaluation System to better emphasize core values. *May 24: Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace* 

## **Addressing Improper Conduct**

Clarify in policy commands' obligation to address conduct that falls short of our core values, even if that conduct doesn't rise to the level of a Uniform Code of Military Justice violation.

#### Coast Guard Academy Board of Visitors/ Board of Trustees

Give the Coast Guard Academy Board of Trustees greater ability to provide oversight of the Academy.

## **Coast Guard Academy Physical Security**

Improve physical security at Coast Guard Academy cadet barracks. May 24: Strengthening Service Culture Situation Report: Initial progress to make the Coast Guard a better workplace

#### **Direct Access**

Improve Direct Access to enable greater accountability/ transparency regarding personnel management.

### **6 PENDING**

## **Develop More Effective Career Leadership Courses**

Improve leadership courses for both senior leaders and more junior members. Feb. 6: Strengthening Coast Guard Culture

#### **Workforce Resiliency Organizational Structure**

Improve coordination between Civil Rights, Diversity, Leadership, Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recovery, Integrated Primary Prevention, Anti-Harassment and other resiliency programs. <u>Dec. 6: Commandant sets course for Coast Guard to improve accountability, transparency</u>

# Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recovery (SAPRR) Strategic Plan

Publish an updated Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recovery Strategic Plan.

# **Enlisted Performance Qualifications/ Rating Performance Qualifications**

Update EPQs/RPQs to better emphasize core values.

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## **Survey Analysis and Trend Development**

Improve service's ability to address members' survey feedback.

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