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LETTER OF INSTRUCTION 18-25

From: Commanding General  
To: Distribution List

Subj: NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS AND SUICIDE AWARENESS MONTH

Ref: (a) MCICOM AMHS MESSAGE: USMC PARTICIPATION IN SEPTEMBER 2025 NATIONAL  
PREPAREDNESS MONTH  
(b) CCO 1720.16E

1. Situation. The Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command (MAGTFTC), Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center (MCAGCC) must prepare for, respond to, and recover from a wide range of natural and manmade threats and incidents to sustain the Marine Corps' training mission and to prevent or mitigate loss of life, undue suffering, and damage to property. It is essential that MAGTFTC, MCAGCC provide the Combat Center community with information on how to prepare for various emergencies that they might face. This campaign's goal is to build and sustain preparedness by providing an opportunity for those that live and work aboard the Combat Center to learn more about the hazards that threaten the Combat Center and surrounding communities, thus encouraging everyone to act and plan ahead of an emergency. In addition, this year, MAGTFTC, MCAGCC will combine the annual suicide and mental health awareness walk-a-thon with the emergency preparedness event to provide resources and support for these important topics.

2. Mission. To educate and engage the Combat Center community in emergency preparedness and mental health awareness. From 1 to 30 September 2025 the Combat Center will be taking part in National Preparedness and Suicide Awareness Month activities with the key messages "Prepared, Not Scared" and "You Are Not Alone."

3. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent. This month-long event will provide personnel the opportunity to learn more about being prepared for an emergency both at work and at home. It will also provide an opportunity to learn about important resources and support available for any mental health related topics and issues. The end-state is a community better prepared in the event of a natural or manmade disaster.

(2) Concept of Operation. The scope of this month long event will be to provide emergency preparedness information via various media platforms and by providing a "National Preparedness and Suicide Awareness Day" on 10 September 2025 hosted by Mission Assurance (MA).

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b. Subordinate Element Missions

(1) Director, MA

(a) Assign an Action Officer (AO) for the subject event.  
Supervise overall coordination, development, and execution of this event.

(b) Provide planning team members from Provost Marshal's Office, Combat Center Fire Department and Safety Office in order to support this event.

(2) Assistant Chief of Staff (AC/S), Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS)

(a) Create and publicize marquee signage upon submission of an MCCS Marketing request and share Communications Strategy and Operations (COMMSTRAT) social media to MCCS social media site.

(b) Designate staff representatives to provide resource information for Behavioral Health Branch, Substance Abuse, Military Family Life Counselor, and Semper Fit.

(c) Provide West End of Main Exchange Parking Lot from 0700 to 1700 on 10 September 2025 for the event.

(d) Provide Heritage Park from 0700 to 1700 on 10 September 2025 for the event.

(3) AC/S, G-4 Installation Support

(a) Director, Public Works Division

1. Provide small generator to the National Preparedness and Suicide Awareness Day event site on 10 September 2025 by 0800. Pick-up generator on 10 September 2025 by 1600. See work orders and AO for more details.

2. Provide an on-call generator support mechanic from 0800 to 1600 on 10 September 2025.

(b) Director, Environmental Affairs

1. Ensure proper number of dumpsters at located "National Preparedness and Suicide Awareness Day" event site by 0800 on 10 September 2025.

2. Place additional recycling containers and dumpsters as required to the event site by 0800 on 10 September 2025.

(4) AC/S, G-7 Government and External Affairs

(a) Provide a planning team member from COMMSTRAT to support this month-long event.

(b) Post messages on social media platforms throughout the month using the hashtags #MCAGCCPrepares, #ReadyMarineCorps, #awareness, #suicideprevention and #mentalhealthawareness.

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(c) Publicize the National Preparedness and Suicide Awareness Day event and provide event coverage.

(5) Navy Medicine Readiness Training Command. Request a staff representative to provide resource information on Mental Health Support and Suicide Awareness.

(6) Tenant and Supporting Commands aboard MCAGCC

(a) All tenant commands are requested to review their Emergency Action Plans and to encourage personnel to visit the Ready Marine Corps website at <https://www.ready.marines.mil> to gain more information on how to prepare for an emergency. In addition, all commands are requested to encourage maximum participation during the event. Commands shall conduct annual suicide prevention training via a "leader-led" approach per reference (b).

(b) Ensure personnel have updated their personal and device contact information in the Marine Corps Mass Notification System by clicking on the "Purple Globe" icon in your computer system tray. If you do not have a "Purple Globe" but can access the Marine Corps Enterprise Network (MCEN), you can also access Self-Service via the following URL: <https://alerts1.mcds.mcds.usmc.mil/SelfService/USMC>. If a user experiences difficulties or is not able to access the self-service URL a user can contact their designated unit AtHoc administrator.

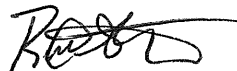
c. Coordinating Instructions. For any questions regarding the LOI and planned events, the AOs are: r. Angel Rios at (760) 830-4764 or [angel.rios@usmc.mil](mailto:angel.rios@usmc.mil) or Ms. Brittany Holwerda at (760) 830-6154 or [brittany.holwerda@usmc.mil](mailto:brittany.holwerda@usmc.mil)

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5. Command and Signal

a. Command. This LOI is applicable to all MAGTFTC, MCAGCC active-duty, civilian, and contract personnel.

b. Signal. This LOI is effective the date signed.

  
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Chief of Staff

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