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From: Commanding General To: Distribution List

- Subj: REPORTING OF PRESCRIBED MEDICATIONS AND MEDICAL TREATMENT OUTSIDE THE MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM
- Ref: (a) MARADMIN 308/11
 - (b) DoDD 5400.11
 - (c) DoD 6025.18-R
 - (d) DoDI 6490.08

1. <u>Situation</u>. With the increasing accessibility of off-base medical treatment and prescription medications, Commanders have an increasingly difficult task of ensuring the quality and continuity of medical treatment for Marines and Sailors. Naval medical personnel may be unaware of treatment a Marine or Sailor has received from civilian health care providers outside the Military Health System. This may lead to conflicting or duplicate prescriptions or treatments that endanger the health and safety of Marines and Sailors. Commanders are also prevented from accurately determining a member's fitness to perform a particular mission, assignment, order, or duty thereby potentially endangering that individual or others.

2. <u>Mission</u>. To issue Marine Corps Installations West-Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton (MCIWEST-MCB CAMPEN) reporting policy for service members receiving prescribed medications and medical treatment outside the military health system.

3. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) <u>Commander's Intent</u>. To establish a reporting method for service members receiving prescribed medications and medical treatment outside the military health system.

(2) Concept of Operations

(a) All members of this command shall notify their locally assigned Naval Medical Personnel within five working days if at any time they receive medical treatment, medical consultation, or are prescribed medications outside of the military health system.

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(b) Naval health care providers shall notify the Commander concerned of private health information when required, and only as permitted, by law or regulation.

(c) Commanders shall protect the privacy of information provided as they should with any other health information. Information provided shall be restricted to personnel with a specific need to know; that is, access to the information must be necessary for the conduct of official duties. Such personnel shall also be accountable for protecting the information. Commanders must also reduce stigma through positive regard for those who seek mental health assistance to restore and maintain their mission readiness, just as they would view someone seeking treatment for any other medical issue.

b. Subordinate Element Missions

(1) <u>MCIWEST-MCB CAMPEN Subordinate Commanders</u>. Coordinate with local military health treatment facilities to establish policies and procedures for informing Commanders of personnel that are suspected of abusing prescription drugs by "doctor shopping", engaging in suspicious drug seeking behavior, or who are receiving treatment that could adversely affect their ability to safely execute their duties due to impairment of mental or physical faculties.

(2) Publish an installation directive that promulgates procedures for reporting health care provided outside the military health system.

4. Administration and Logistics

a. In making a disclosure of health care records and information, health care providers shall provide the minimum amount of information to satisfy the purpose of the disclosure. In general, this shall consist of:

(1) The diagnosis; a description of the treatment prescribed or planned; impact on duty or mission; recommended duty restrictions; the prognosis; any applicable duty limitations; and implications for the safety of self or others.

(2) Ways the command can support or assist the service member's treatment.

b. Naval healthcare providers shall maintain records of disclosure of protected health information consistent with reference (c).

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c. Directives issued by this Headquarters are published and distributed electronically. Electronic versions of the MCIWEST-MCB CAMPEN directives can be found at: https://c27ipacpndl03w/ intranet.manpower.usmc.mil/ipac/manpower/Adj/default.aspx

5. Command and Signal

a. <u>Command</u>. This Order is punitive and applicable to all commands, organizations, units, and activities under the command of MCIWEST-MCB CAMPEN. Failure to comply with the provisions herein may result in disciplinary or administrative action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

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

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