



LOYALTY, DUTY, RESPECT, SELFLESS-SERVICE, HONOR, INTEGRITY, PERSONAL COURAGE





HONOR, COURAGE, COMMITMENT



INTEGRITY FIRST, SERVICE BEFORE SELF, EXCELLENCE IN ALL WE DO



HONOR, RESPECT, DEVOTION TO DUTY

THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE'S (DOD) MISSION IS TO PROVIDE MILITARY FORCES NEEDED TO DETER WAR AND TO PROTECT THE SECURITY OF OUR COUNTRY.

THIS MISSION CAN NOT BE CARRIED OUT WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF DOD'S SERVICE MEMBERS AND CIVILIANS.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT NEGATIVELY IMPACTS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THESE INDIVIDUALS AND UNDERMINES MISSION READINESS.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT CONTRADICTS ALL SERVICE CORE VALUES AND HAS NO PLACE IN THE DOD.



SEXUAL HARASSMENT OCCURS WHEN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS EXIST:





ANY PERSON IN A SUPERVISORY OR COMMAND POSITION, WHO USES OR CONDONES ANY FORM OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR TO CONTROL, INFLUENCE, OR AFFECT THE CAREER, PAY, OR JOB OF A MILITARY MEMBER OR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE, IS ENGAGING IN SEXUAL HARASSMENT.



ANY MILITARY MEMBER OR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE WHO MAKES DELIBERATE OR REPEATED UNWELCOMED VERBAL COMMENTS, GESTURES, OR PHYSICAL CONTACT OF A SEXUAL NATURE IS ALSO ENGAGING IN SEXUAL HARASSMENT.





SUCH CONDUCT, TO BE ACTIONABLE AS "ABUSIVE ENVIRONMENT"
NEED NOT RESULT IN CONCRETE PSYCHOLOGICAL HARM TO THE
VICTIM, BUT RATHER NEED ONLY BE SO SEVERE OR PERVASIVE
THAT A REASONABLE PERSON WOULD PERCEIVE, AND THE
VICTIM DOES PERCEIVE, THE ENVIRONMENT AS HOSTILE OR
OFFENSIVE.



## **DID YOU KNOW?**

A VICTIM MAY NOT BE THE ONLY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE HARASSMENT BEHAVIOR. THIRD PARTY SEXUAL HARASSMENT OCCURS WHEN ANYONE IS AFFECTED BY THE OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOR.

## IMPACT VS INTENT



## REASONABLE PERSON STANDARD



REASONABLE PERSON THINKS IS

"OUT OF BOUNDS."

# THERE ARE TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

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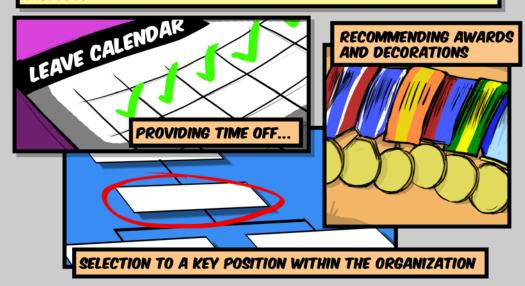
THIS IS A LATIN TERM MEANING "THIS FOR THAT." QUID PRO QUO OCCURS WHEN SOMEONE ABUSES HIS OR HER POSITION OF POWER FOR SEXUAL FAVORS.

IT MAY INVOLVE THREATS. THE HARASSER MAY THREATEN TO PUNISH OR WITHHOLD SOMETHING FROM THE INDIVIDUAL IF THEY DO NOT SUBMIT TO THEIR REQUESTS.

THIS MAY INCLUDE:



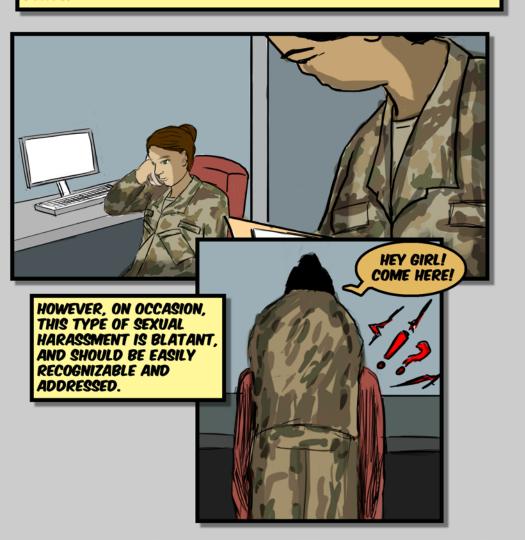
IT MAY INVOLVE REWARDS. THE HARASSER MAY OFFER REWARDS IN EXCHANGE FOR YOUR SUBMISSION TO THEIR REQUESTS. THIS MAY INCLUDE:



## HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT

THIS TYPE OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT NEED NOT RESULT IN CONCRETE PSYCHOLOGICAL HARM, BUT RATHER NEED ONLY BE SO SEVERE OR PERVASIVE THAT A REASONABLE PERSON WOULD PERCEIVE THE ENVIRONMENT AS HOSTILE OR OFFENSIVE.

A HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT CAN BE DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY. THIS TYPE OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT INVOLVES BEHAVIORS THAT ARE MOSTLY IMPLICIT OR SUBTLE, AND CAN RESULT FROM ONE OR MORE INCIDENTS.



## SEXUAL HARASSMENT COMES IN DIFFERENT CATEGORIES

# VERBAL

VERBAL BEHAVIOR REFERS TO COMMENTS MADE TO, ABOUT, OR IN THE PRESENCE OF A PERSON AND MAY INCLUDE...



SEXUALLY ORIENTED **COMMENTS ABOUT CLOTHING AND/OR BODY PARTS** 



## WHISTLING OR CAT CALLS



**PASSING RUMORS** OF SEXUAL INVOLVEMENT

SEXUAL HARRASSMENT IS GENDER NEUTRAL **ASKING ABOUT A** 

PERSON'S SEXUAL LIFE, FANTASIES. **PREFERENCES** 

... MALES ARE OFTEN THE OFFENDER BUT NOT ALWAYS...



THIS TYPE OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT REFERS TO AN INDIVIDUAL'S BEHAVIORS, AND MAY INCLUDE:



DISPLAYING SEXUALLY ORIENTED MATERIAL





EMAILING OR SENDING TEXT MESSAGES OF A SEXUAL NATURE





MAKING SEXUALLY SUGGESTIVE GESTURES

PHYSICAL

THIS BEHAVIOR REFERS TO AN INDIVIDUAL MAKING PHYSICAL CONTACT WITH ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL, AND MAY INCLUDE:

#### TOUCHING OR GRABBING







CORNERING OR BLOCKING



STANDING CLOSE TO OR BRUSHING AGAINST



## EFFECTS OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

SEXUAL HARASSMENT IS DETRIMENTAL TO MISSION READINESS AND MAY IMPACT VICTIMS, RELATED THIRD PERSONS, AND THE ORGANIZATION.

## INDIVIDUAL/THIRD PERSONS

#### DECREASED JOB SATISFACTION









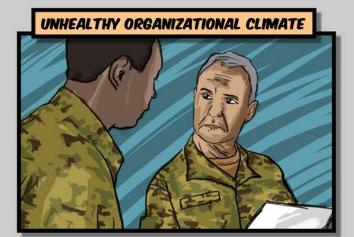


# **ORGANIZATIONAL**





DECREASED UNIT MORALE/COHESION



# WHAT CAN YOU DO TO PREVENT SEXUAL HARASSMENT?

ALWAYS TREAT ONE ANOTHER WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT.

IF THIS IS COMMON PRACTICE, SEXUAL HARASSMENT WILL CEASE TO EXIST WITHIN THE DOD.



EVERYONE SHARES RESPONSIBILITY FOR PREVENTING AND ELIMINATING SEXUAL HARASSMENT.

IF YOU SEE AN INDIVIDUAL(S) ENGAGING IN SEXUAL HARASSMENT, TELL THE HARASSER TO STOP. YOUR INTERVENTION PROVIDES THE HARASSER AN OPPORTUNITY TO EVALUATE AND CORRECT THEIR INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR.

REMEMBER, SOME INDIVIDUALS MAY NOT BE AWARE THAT THEY ARE ENGAGING IN SEXUAL HARASSMENT.



IF YOU DON'T BRING THEIR INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIORS TO THEIR ATTENTION, HOW WILL THEY KNOW THE IMPACT THEY HAVE ON OTHERS AND MAKE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS?

COMMITMENT FROM SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND LEADERS AT ALL LEVELS MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

WHEN LEADERS MAKE SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION A PRIORITY, THE SAME ATTITUDE WILL BE PASSED TO ALL UNIT MEMBERS.

### STRATEGIES TO COMBAT SEXUAL HARASSMENT INCLUDE:

KNOW AND UNDERSTAND THE ELEMENTS OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT.

PRACTICE WHAT WE PREACH; TAKE PROMPT ACTION WHEN YOU WITNESS SEXUAL HARASSMENT OR WHEN IT IS BROUGHT TO YOUR ATTENTION.

PARTICIPATE IN EFFECTIVE SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION TRAINING (I.E., SEMINARS, GUEST SPEAKERS,INFORMAL/FORMAL DISCUSSIONS, ETC.).

COMPLETE CLIMATE ASSESSMENTS AND ADDRESS BEHAVIORS THAT IMPACT MISSION READINESS.

ENSURE ORGANIZATIONAL POLICY LETTERS ARE UNDERSTOOD AND OUTLINE MEASURES FOR ADDRESSING OCCURRENCES OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT.

### SUBMITTING SEXUAL HARASSMENT COMPLAINTS

SHOULD YOU FIND YOURSELF A VICTIM OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT, TWO REPORTING OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU:

#### INFORMAL COMPLAINT

THIS OPTION ALLOWS YOU TO HANDLE YOUR COMPLAINT AT THE LOWEST LEVEL...

#### YOU CAN CONFRONT THE HARASSER YOURSELF...





## FORMAL COMPLAINT

A FORMAL COMPLAINT INVOLVES YOU SUBMITTING YOUR COMPLAINT IN WRITING, WHICH TRIGGERS A FORMAL INVESTIGATION.

FOR ASSISTANCE WITH FORMAL COMPLAINTS,
CONTACT YOUR EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PRACTITIONER.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT INFORMAL AND FORMAL COMPLAINTS. PLEASE REFER TO YOUR SERVICE'S POLICY.

AND SHOULD YOU HAVE TO FILE AN INFORMAL OR FORMAL COMPLAINT, KNOW YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO DO SO WITHOUT FEAR OF REPRISAL.

IF YOU HAVE BEEN SEXUALLY
HARASSED, REMEMBER, YOU ARE
NOT ALONE. IT IS THE DEPARTMENT
OF DEFENSE POLICY TO PROMOTE
AN ENVIRONMENT FREE FROM:
UNLAWFUL DISCRIMINATION,
SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND TO
PROVIDE PROTECTION FROM
REPRISAL.

IF YOU HAVE BEEN, OR YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN, SEXUALLY HARASSED USE THE STRATEGIES WITHIN THIS GUIDE TO ENSURE ALL INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIORS ARE IMMEDIATELY ADDRESSED!

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

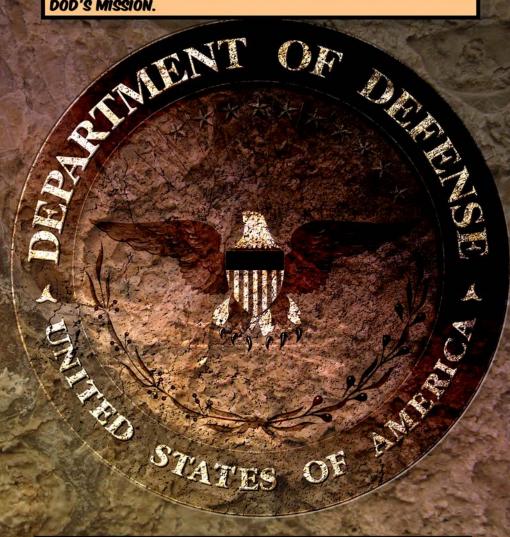
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SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AIRMEN, MARINES, COASTGUARDSMEN AND CIVILIANS ARE ESSENTIAL RESOURCES OF THE DOD, AND PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN THE SECURITY OF OUR NATION. SEXUAL HARASSMENT COMPROMISES MISSION READINESS AND HINDERS THE ARMED FORCES' EFFORTS IN CARRYING OUT THE DOD'S MISSION.



EACH MEMBER SHOULD IDENTIFY THAT SEXUAL HARASSMENT CONFLICTS WITH THEIR SERVICE'S CORE VALUES AND WORK TO PREVENT AND ELIMINATE ALL OCCURRENCES.