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WING (MAW)

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 1730.7D
(b) MCM
(c) SECNAVINST 1730.8B
(d) MCO 1730.6D
(e) WgO 1730.6K

1. Situation. To set forth policies, responsibilities and procedures for CRP within 2d MAW as set forth in references (a) through (e). References (a) and (b) establish Department of the Navy and Marine Corps policy for the free exercise of religion for active duty Marines, Sailors, family members and other authorized persons. Reference (c) sets forth the accommodation of religious practices. Reference (d) sets policy for CRP in the Marine Corps. Reference (e) sets forth policy for Religious Ministries within 2d MAW.

2. Mission

a. Group and Squadron Chaplains are responsible for establishing and maintaining the Commanding Officer's (CO) CRP which supports the free exercise of religion. Commands shall include the CRP as an integral and essential element of its administration, planning, programming and budgeting activities.

b. The religious beliefs and practices of individual members are protected and whenever possible are accommodated through the four Chaplain Corps Core Capabilities as detailed below.

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c. The mission of the 2d MAW Religious Ministries Teams (RMTs) is to strengthen the spiritual well-being, ethical maturity, increased functional ability and morale of Marines, Sailors and their families. This will be done by accommodating their diverse religious requirements, providing faith-group specific ministry, offering compassionate care for all and contributing sound advisement to commands so Marines, Sailors and their families may best serve our country.

3. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent. To the fullest extent possible, CRPs will execute the mission of the 2d MAW RMTs by providing opportunities for service members and their families to voluntarily express and nurture their religious faith. CRPs are guided in this endeavor by the following four Chaplain Corps Core Capabilities:

(a) Facilitate - Manage and execute command religious programs to accommodate diverse religious ministry requirements which include, but are not limited to, scheduling, coordinating, budgeting and contracting.

(b) Provide - Meet faith-group specific needs, including worship services, religious/pastoral counsel, scripture study and religious education.

(c) Care - Deliver specific institutional care, counseling and coaching. This will include personal and relationship counseling, deck plate ministry, coaching on military life, and pre/post-deployment training for Sailors, Marines, and their families, regardless of specific faith.

(d) Advise - Chaplains directly advise commanders on issues relating to morals, ethics, spiritual well-being, and morale. Chaplains also train and educate leaders at all levels of the chain of command in moral and ethical decision making, cultural awareness, conflict resolution and cross-cultural communications. Chaplains are to advise at three levels: the Essential (Personal), the Executive (Command) and the External (Within a Combat Environment).

(2) Concept of Operations. The Planned Ministry Objectives (PMOs) below provide specific direction in carrying out the four Chaplain Corps Core Competencies. In the attempt to measure the effectiveness of the Chaplain Corps Core Competencies and the CRP, the PMOs provide a benchmark for gauging success of intangible results which come through the education and ministry provided by chaplains. 2d MAW RMTs should ensure that all military personnel, family members and authorized Department of Defense (DoD) personnel's religious needs are addressed as follows:

(a) Facilitate

1. Advise Chain of Command of service members' religious needs.
2. Provide information about local religious services.
3. Train Lay Leaders for specific faith groups as needed for deployment.
4. Provide religious materials, meals, etc., as requested.
5. Schedule worship services in the field.
6. Develop and submit a religious material budget to the Commanding Officer.

(b) Provide: The Chaplain should ensure specific faith group needs are provided by:

1. Conducting faith-group specific worship services.
2. Giving faith-group specific counseling with reference to sacraments, confessions, religious rites, etc.
3. Teaching faith-group specific scripture studies and religious education.

(c) Care: The Chaplain cares for all by:

1. Maintaining an active flight line presence.
2. Teaching classes on Building Healthy Relationships (Singles Seminar), Marriage Preparation (Prepare/Enrich), Marriage Enrichment (Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program (PREP)), Suicide Awareness (annual, bi-annual and as directed) and prevention (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)), New Join classes, Back in the Saddle, Divorce Recovery, Stress Management, Pre-deployment/Return and Reunion, Getting Along with Your Neighbor (Lifestyle, Insight, Networking, Knowledge, and Skills (L.I.N.K.S.)), How to Deal with Dear John/Jane Letters, Religious Development and Scripture Studies.
3. Actively engaging in the United States Marine Corps Combat Operational Stress Control (COSC) Program.
4. Providing compassionate pastoral counseling and life skills training.
5. Maintaining active involvement in the Family Readiness Program.
6. Developing delivery models focusing on the value and importance of strong relationships.

(d) Advise: Chaplains directly advise commanders on issues relating to morals, ethics, spiritual well-being and morale. Chaplains are to advise at three levels: the Essential (Personal), the Executive (Command) and the External (Within a Combat Environment).

1. Chaplains provide training for leaders at all levels of the chain of command in moral and ethical decision making, cultural awareness, conflict resolution and cross-cultural communications.
2. Chaplains should serve as liaison with civilian clergy, community leaders and civic organizations such as Veterans of Foreign Wars, Habitat for Humanity, etc.
3. Chaplains advise commanders on the impact of religion in relation to operations.

4. Advise commanders on the development, measure of performance and effectiveness that will feed the repetitive process to leverage successes and perpetuate improvements.

4. Administration and Logistics

a. Administration. The Wing Chaplain will ensure the training requirements are met to facilitate ministry access for the accommodation of all authorized personnel.

b. Logistics. Group commanders will ensure appropriate funding for the CRP as delineated in reference (d).

5. Command and Signal

a. Command. This order is applicable to all units within 2d MAW. This order is applicable to Marine Corps Reserve units when attached to or performing training with 2d MAW units.

b. Signal. This order is effective on the date signed.


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