


Inter-Service Family Assistance Committees (ISFAC)

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Joining Forces to Support Our Military in Your Neighborhood


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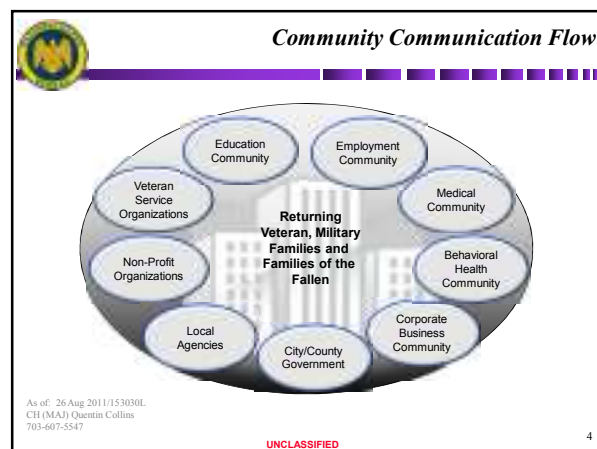
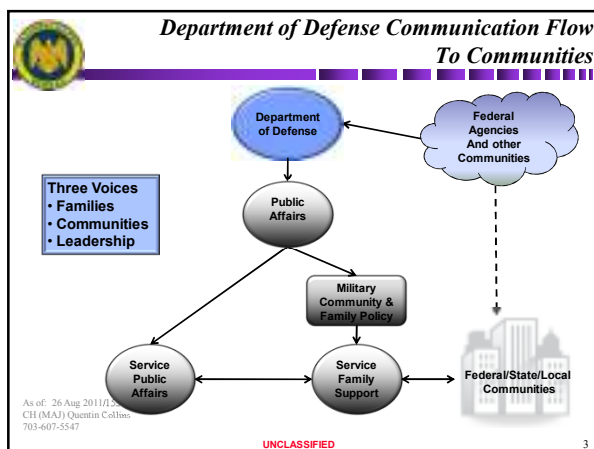

Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Integrated Process Team (IPT) – Family/Community Communication

Presidential Report captured the grassroots movement of the Inter-Services Family Assistance Committee (ISFAC) as a suggested model to increase community capacity, **“Additionally, there have been positive reviews from states that successfully created a single place to handle state-wide military family issues using DOD’s Inter-Service Family Assistance Committee model”.**



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Strategic Communication with Families National Wide – Active, National Guard & Reserve

National Strategic Goals:

- Strengthen current, and develop new Family assistance delivery support programs and cross pollinate networks
- Leverage all types of resources in support for all committee members, and organizations in support of military families
- Incorporate research from academia to improve models and develop evaluation criteria
- Promote a holistic approach to supporting military and family members, Veterans and Wounded Warriors to enable proactive, efficient and effective assistance from the closest support source in their neighborhood

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National Execution:

- CJCS-IPT-Family/Community Strategic Communication – National Guard Bureau, followed Presidential suggested model as a “core component” to help tie together and grow community resources to empower, mentor and build resilience for members
- Proposed CJCS Memorandum to all Governors forthcoming (Fall, 2011) to endorse the ISFAC concept to increase community capacity and promote the online community center
- National Guard Bureau has developed an ISFAC Community site on the Joint Service Support to facilitate the cross pollination and development of current and future ISFAC models

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Establishing National Forum to Network

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ISFAC Timeline

April May June July August September October November December February 2012

- ISFAC Guide
- Commander Guide
- CJCS letter to Governors draft
- JSS Initial Website development
- Collection and sharing of best practices – ongoing
- ISFAC briefing and marketing materials Developing with other States
- CJCS letter to Governors
- Facilitate Cross Pollination w/Local ISFAC POCs - ongoing
- Establishment of an online community/neighborhood
- Linkage to other efforts (e.g., Community Blueprint) - ongoing

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Key Take Aways

- J1-FP is prepared to take the lead on ISFAC
- We are working with Services (through IPT), OSD, and universities of Georgia and North Carolina
- Our role is to facilitate the exchange of information to support the development and enhancement of community based support models

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