

*U.S. Marine Corps*

# ***Counseling and Advocacy Program***

***“We offer prevention, education, intervention and treatment services. We work with families and individuals seeking self-improvement.”***

Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) Personal Services provides education and counseling services and workshops to individuals and families seeking self-improvement. We also work together with other community services in an effort to strengthen Marine families and provide appropriate referral services when needed. One component of MCCS Personal Services is the Counseling and Advocacy Program. The program has highly-qualified, licensed clinical staff, which is trained in family violence and is available to provide counseling services at your request. Counselors are available to respond quickly, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to help individuals and families who are victims of domestic violence or sexual assault. Family Advocacy professionals are also available to assist commanders and other leaders with various trainings, briefings and workshops to aid in the early detection of stressors so they can be resolved before they become problems.

## ***Intervention***

- Information and Referrals
- Command Consultation
- Intakes and Screenings
- Clinical Assessments
- Victim Advocacy
- 24 HR Domestic Violence or Sexual Assault Services
- Transitional Compensation for Abused Family Members Program

## ***Treatment***

- Domestic Violence Support Groups
- Individual, Couple and Family Counseling

## ***Professional Staff***

Personal Services counselors are licensed clinicians trained to work with individuals and families with a variety of emotional problems. Some examples would be helping individuals and families cope with depression, resolving issues in marriage, developing conflict resolution skills and discussing parenting issues. Personal Services counselors also provide briefs for commands and provide a variety of prevention and intervention tools for service members and their families.

***Prevention and Education Services***

- Parenting Classes and Groups
- Suicide Prevention
- New Parent Support Program
- Anger and Stress Management
- Couples and Relationship Programs

***For more information about Counseling and Advocacy:***

Please contact your MCCS Personal Services Counseling Center for a detailed list and calendar of ongoing classes and programs. Stop in for a visit to pick up literature, or just to talk. Visit us on the web at [www.usmc-mccs.org](http://www.usmc-mccs.org).