



**Thirty-Day Yellow Ribbon
Program**



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Military OneSource is a Department of Defense-funded program providing comprehensive information on every aspect of military life at no cost to active duty, National Guard and Reserve Component service members, and their families. Information includes but is not limited to deployment, reunion and reintegration, relationship, grief, spouse employment and education, parenting and child care, and much more.

Military OneSource has policy and programmatic information, helpful resources, products, articles and tips on numerous topics related to military life. Services are available 24 hours a day by telephone and online. In addition to the website support, Military OneSource offers call center and online support for consultations on a number of issues such as spouse education and career opportunities, issues specific to families with a member with special needs, health coaching, financial support and resources.

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Talking points

- All active duty, National Guard and Reserve Component service members and their immediate family members, including spouses, children or anyone legally responsible for a service member's children during a time of separation or deployment are eligible, regardless of activation.
- Members of the Coast Guard are eligible when activated and deployed with the Navy.
- Civilian Expeditionary Workforce members and their families are eligible while deployed and 90 days prior and 180 days post deployment.

Briefer notes

- Individual Ready Reserve personnel are eligible.
- Eligibility begins on the initial entrance date (that is, official entrance date into the military or date of delayed enlistment).
- A person transitioning out of the military by way of honorable discharge or retirement is eligible up to 180 days.
- In general, extended family is not eligible.
- Ineligible Coast Guard members don't qualify because they are under the Department of Homeland Security, not DoD.
- Extended program eligibility reaches anyone who is Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System – more commonly known as DEERS – eligible, including survivors (non-remarried spouses and children) of active duty, National Guard and Reserve Component service members regardless of activation status and lifetime eligibility through the Wounded Warrior Resources.

Private and Confidential

Privacy is protected

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 - Provided to the military or chain of command
 - Shared with family or friends
 - Released to other agencies

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Talking points

- Contacts with Military OneSource, whether by telephone, online or face-to-face non-medical counseling, are private.
- Military OneSource ensures that personal information is secure and each user is treated confidentially and with respect, regardless of rank.
- Neither service members nor their commanders are advised when a family member seeks Military OneSource non-medical counseling.
- Privacy exceptions include suspected family maltreatment (for example, domestic violence, child or elder abuse or neglect), threats to harm self or others and illegal activities. In these cases, Military OneSource consultants have a duty to report to the appropriate military and civilian authorities. Face-to-face counselors are an extension of Military OneSource, so these reporting requirements apply to them as well.

Briefer notes

- Substance or alcohol abuse is disclosed only when:
 - The service member self-reports drug abuse violating DoD regulations
 - The family member reports alcohol abuse related to domestic violence perpetrated by the service member or abuse or neglect of a child or special needs family member
 - Illegal activity has occurred (anything that breaks local, state or federal law will be reported under duty to warn, including illegal drug use, operating a vehicle under the influence, underage drinking, etc.)
- Air Force personnel are read the following additional statement regarding the Personnel Reliability Program self-reporting requirement: "As a Personnel Reliability Program certified or administrative qualified member, you are responsible to self-notify your Certifying Official

of any behavior or circumstances that may or could reduce effectiveness or capability in your job performance, safety or personal reliability. This includes your physical and mental wellness, dependability, or financial or legal concerns. You are also required to self-notify prior to any health care evaluation or treatment, whether military or private that you are a Personnel Reliability Program individual. Failure to make notification may cast doubt on your reliability and violates DoD and United States Air Force policy in DoD Regulation 5210.42.”

Range of Support



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Talking points

Military OneSource offers support on a wide variety of topics. Many are interconnected, depending on the situation. For example, a family may call about relocation issues. Discussion of those issues may lead to assistance with new jobs, education counseling if the spouse is in the middle of school, etc.

Briefer notes

Presenter can share relevant examples about the many uses of Military OneSource.

Military OneSource: Something for Everyone

- › Did you know Military OneSource has...
 - Smart shopping tips (audio clips)
 - Planning for your golden years (video)
 - Connecting with your child (booklet)
 - Dealing with your stress (downloadable)
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Talking points

- Military OneSource has resources for everyone, no matter how long they have been affiliated with the military, and the resources are not just related to military life, but life in general.
- Some of the resources that people tend not to know about are:
 - ePublications
 - Pet sitting information
 - Healthy meal planning tips
 - Links to outside agencies that provide emergency services
 - Locators to find schools and other resources
- Explore Military OneSource to find out what else we have available.

Our Websites

Military INSTALLATIONS
Your official DoD source for installation and state resources available to active...

Get started!

Looking for particular installation or state? Enter an installation (Click a directory of installations) or enter a state.

Looking for specific program or service? Select a program or service (Click a directory of installations) and then enter an installation (Click a directory of installations) or enter your postal code.

MILITARY YOUTH ON THE MOVE

Let's Move!! This is your one-stop shop for advice and info on moving, social life, school, and more. Check out the general resource links above or stuff for kids your age on the left!

Join with us! Kids, Pre-Teens, Teenagers

In your Words... "I've been to eight different schools in the past 16 months."

MILITARY SPOUSE CAREER PORTAL

Job Search 100% Active Jobs

I'm a Military Spouse. Leverage MOSP resources to jumpstart your career. Call 1-800-240-0421.

Get Started! Search Company Advanced Search

Newest Jobs: Career Transition Trainer, Career Transition Trainer

Plan My DEPLOYMENT Supporting service members and their families throughout the deployment cycle.

Plan My Deployment was designed to help you address these issues and may be used in coordination with other support programs. With Plan My Deployment you can take some of the stress out of deployment in a helpful way. Whether it's your first deployment or mobilization or your fifth, you will be able to create a Reregistration page that contains only the information you and your family need to successfully re-engage.

Tell us about yourself or your service member, then click on your phase of deployment. Once you have answered the questions, select a phase on the right.

Expected deployment date: [dropdown]
Expected return date: [dropdown]
Required fields are marked with an asterisk *

Military OneSource

PLAN MY MOVE

Take charge of your PCS move. Plan My Move provides you with access to information, entitlements and benefits, to points of contact, checklists, planning tools, and information on employment. Plan My Move will put you and your family in charge of a smooth relocation to assignment. Fill in the following information about your move, click "Get Moving" and we will new assignment cannot be found, select a nearby installation.

Plan My Move gives you the option of storing the entries below plus it allows for creating a calendar reminder just for you and your family. Begin customization by creating an account you don't have to reenter your information each time you return. You just sign-in and get to work.

Where are you currently stationed? Enter Installation Name or Location above or click here for the installation lookup screen.

Where are you being reassigned? Enter Installation Name or Location above or click here for the installation lookup screen.

When do you plan to depart? 26-FEB-2013 to 30-MON-YYYY (e.g. 01-JA)

eSponsorship Application & Training

Welcome to the eSponsorship Application

Congratulations, you have been selected by your unit to sponsor a new member. You will act as a mentor and provide support. This is a very important responsibility as the new member assigned installation is largely based upon the sponsor. As a sponsor, you have the most important, productive relationship made in unit command and mission success. Your duties as a sponsor are mandatory. This eSponsorship application has been created:

- Train you on your roles and responsibilities
- Provide you with the knowledge and resources for effective sponsorship
- Provide you access to the tools you need to do an outstanding job

The steps in the eSponsorship process that the application supports are:

- A training module to be completed by you, the sponsor
- A downloadable Sponsorship Duties Checklist, to keep, check off and refer to often
- A downloadable Training Certificate for your records.
- A downloadable Family Assessment to use as a guide when contacting your new member
- Sample Tools for communicating with your new member

The Relocation Portal at your Family Center are always available to assist you and will be the best place to see that all provide you resources and packets of information. This information on MilitaryOneSource.com.

SECO Career Development, Education & Training, Employment Readiness

Explore career based on your interests

TOOLS AND RESOURCES MOSP offers highly interactive tools and resources for military spouses, including: Job Search, Career Guidance, Education and Training, Financial Resources, and Career Development. Other resources offered to make the most of your needs website.

CAREER COUNSELING MOSP connects an on-site-based, military spouse network providing job opportunities, training and resources. You can also use other online career counseling services. To speak with a career counselor, call 1-800-240-0421 or visit the MOSP career page for more information.

Related Content

USA4MilitaryFamilies Department of Defense and Department of Education

USA4 Military Families Initiative, seeking to engage and educate state policymakers, non-for-profit associations, concerned business interests, and other state leaders about the needs of military members and their families.

10 KEY ISSUES

1. Facilitate service members receiving military and academic credit for military education, training and experience
2. Facilitate military spouse transition through licensure portability and eligibility for employment
3. Support development of veterans treatment courts open to eligible veterans and service members throughout the state
4. Increase access to quality, affordable childcare for military families
5. Promote consumer protections and enforcement of the predatory lending regulation
6. Allow service members to retain their...

To view the Issue Status Information for a specific state, click on the state name. Access information about a specific issue, click on the Key Issues drop down menu.

VOLUNTARY EDUCATION EDUCATION CENTERS PROGRAMS CERTIFICATES REPORTS POLICY

645,000 Enrolled in 800,000 Courses

VOLUNTARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

- Military Tuition Assistance** Tuition and fee assistance for voluntary off-duty education
- Educational Transcripts - Evaluation of Military Experience and Training** validate occupational experience and training for college credit
- Postsecondary Degree** College enrollment and tuition assistance leading to degrees
- ServiceMembers Opportunity Colleges** More than 1800 colleges and universities providing educational opportunities
- Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 (Post-9/11 GI Bill)** New educational benefits for individuals who served on active duty after 9/11
- Exams for College Credit** Training program to earn certificates, licenses, college credits or high school diplomas
- Online Academic Skills Courses** Online courses to enhance academic competencies
- DoD Third Party Education Review** Announcement of third party education review contract
- DoD Voluntary Education Partnership MOU** Visit the DoD MOU website at www.dodvets.com to sign the application process
- Trainers to Teachers (TTT)** Begin a second career in public education as a teacher



Our Websites



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Talking points

- At the bottom of any Military OneSource page you will find links to Our Websites. These websites will further assist service members and family members with several things, including deployment, moving, locating installation services and much more!
- Our websites include:
 - **MilitaryINSTALLATIONS** - MilitaryINSTALLATIONS allows you to search for programs and services on your installation.
 - **Military Youth on the Move** - This website is divided into kid, pre-teen, teenager and parent sections. You'll find age appropriate information for your child to ease common struggles, including healthy living, safety, moving and new schools, money, and making new friends.
 - **Military Spouse Employment Partnership Jobs Portal** - The MSEP job portal is a job search engine specifically for military spouses. By entering the city, state and country of residence, spouses can browse through available jobs in the area. An advanced search allows spouses to search for a specific line of work.
 - **Plan My Deployment** - This tool helps service members and families understand what to expect and when throughout the deployment cycle. Entering the service member's status, service branch, familial status, and expected deployment and return dates results in a personalized plan to help service members and families prepare for deployment.

- **Plan My Move** - Similar to the personalized plans of Plan My Deployment, Plan My Move helps military service members and families create a timeline for a smooth move. Plug in your current duty station, new duty station and your departure date for your personalized timeline.
- **eSponsorship Training** - If you have been assigned sponsorship of a newcomer, use your Common Access Card – known as the CAC – to access the eSponsorship application and training. You can also use this resource to communicate electronically and manage the sponsorship online.
- **MySECO** - The MySECO website ensures spouses have 24/7 access to online education and career information, resources, tools and assessments. Using the tools and assessments, spouses can begin to explore their interests, skills, passions and personality type to determine the best fit for education and career choices and start to build a portable and meaningful career path.
- **USA4 Military Families** - This website supports military families by explaining key issues that directly impact military service members and families. See the latest news or explore the key issues.
- **Voluntary Education** - The Voluntary Education Portal offers guidance for anyone in the DoD community continuing their education. Information can be found about tuition assistance, the Post 9/11 G.I. Bill, Troops to Teachers, the Online Academic Skills Course, exams for college credit and much more.

Military OneSource Homepage

The screenshot shows the Military OneSource homepage with the following elements circled in red:

- Navigation Bar:** "Counseling Options" and "Military Life Topics" dropdown menus.
- Search Bar:** "What are you looking for?" search box.
- Featured Content:** "The Military Kids Connect Website" section with a "Learn more" button.
- Most Popular:** "MOST POPULAR on Military OneSource" section with a list of 5 items and tabs for "Shared", "Read", and "Watched/Listened".
- Blog Brigade:** "Use It Up, Wear It Out, Make It Do or Do Without!" article by Kelli on Thu, 21 Feb 2013.
- Installation Locator:** "INSTALLATION LOCATOR" form with fields for "Name of installation" and "or, state name".

Other visible elements include the Military OneSource logo, contact number 800-342-9647, social media links, and a sidebar with "Need Help?", "Feedback", and "Products".



Military OneSource Homepage

The screenshot shows the Military OneSource homepage with several key features highlighted by red circles:

- Navigation Menu:** "Counseling Options" and "Military Life Topics" are circled in the top navigation bar.
- Search Bar:** A search bar is located in the top right corner.
- Most Popular Content:** A section titled "MOST POPULAR on Military OneSource" is circled, listing five items: 1. Feelings Surrounding a Partial Deployment, 2. Military OneSource Tax Service, 3. Electronic Sponsorship Application and Training, 4. Partner With a Military OneSource Health and Wellness Coach to Improve Your Health and Well-being, and 5. Your Relocation Assistance Program and Services.
- Installation Locator:** A section titled "INSTALLATION LOCATOR" is circled, featuring a search form for "Name of installation" and "or, state name".

Other visible elements include the Military OneSource logo, contact information (800-342-9647), and a footer with the text "Call. 800-342-9647 Click. MilitaryOneSource.mil Connect. 24/7 • 7".

Talking points

- There are two points of entry to the Military OneSource website the public and employee assistance program side. The public side offers a number of articles on military life topics and much more for service member, families, service providers, and leaders and requires no log in. If you are an eligible service or family member and would like to have access to confidential non-medical counseling, products and specialty consultations, select the log-in button at the top of this page. Note, that once you log into the employee assistance program side, you have left the public side of Military OneSource website.
- The homepage offers quick access to:
 - Links to program pages
 - The most popular site content
 - An installation directory to help you find the resources closest to you
 - All of the available counseling options
- Under the Military Life Topics tab, you will find links to each program page. Clicking on any link will take you to that program's homepage where you will find a wealth of articles, resources and external links.
- If you're interested in the latest hot topics, browse the MOST POPULAR on Military OneSource menu in the top right-hand corner of the homepage. When something peaks your interest, simply click the link to read, watch or hear more.

- The Installation Locator box in the middle of the page is your quick reference to all things about your current or soon-to-be installation. Simply fill in your installation's name, state name or select your installation from the directory. This feature will also provide information on local support providers, like the Red Cross and Joint Force headquarters.
- Hovering over the Confidential Help tab will immediately reveal contact phone numbers for instant contact or options for face-to-face, telephonic and online confidential non-medical counseling as well as confidential specialty consultation options (for example, adoption, health and wellness coaching, special needs and wounded warrior) and other services.

Military OneSource Homepage

The screenshot shows the Military OneSource homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Military OneSource logo on the left, the tagline "Call. Click. Connect." in the center, and a search bar on the right. Below the navigation bar, there are several menu items: "800-342-9647", "Counseling Options", "Military Life Topics", "Monthly Focus", and "Social Media Hub".

On the left side, there is a vertical navigation menu with three items: "Need Help?", "Feedback", and "Products".

The main content area features a large banner for "The Military Kids Connect Website". The banner includes the Military Kids Connect logo, a photo of children, and the text: "Discover new games and resources for kids, parents and educators." Below the photo is a "Learn more" button and a link to "Visit MilitaryKidsConnect.org".

To the right of the banner is a "MOST POPULAR on Military OneSource" section with a list of five items:

1. Feelings Surrounding a Postponed Deployment
2. Military OneSource Tax Service
3. Electronic Sponsorship Application and Training
4. Partner With a Military OneSource Health and Wellness Coach to Improve Your Health and Well-being
5. Your Relocation Assistance Program and Services

Below this list is a "Military OneSource TWEETS" section with a Twitter icon and several tweets:

- "rt @MC_FP Video: First Lady Urges Governors to 'Ramp Up' Vet Support <http://t.co/KE9N5hKZ9H> #FLOTUS #sot #veterans #milfam"
- "(Video) What are you saving for? <http://t.co/uq9CKrx170> Take the Saver Pledge now... It's easy! <http://t.co/fneNEhrSRf> #milfam #MSW2013"
- "RT @MC_FP (Video) What is @MilitarySaves Week? Find out: <http://t.co/stpnduDPCO> #milfam #milkids #sot #MSW2013"
- "MT @MC_FP Happening NOW! #POTUS, VP, #FLOTUS & Dr. Biden deliver remarks to the Nat'l Governors Assoc. Watch LIVE: <http://t.co/ZMoXrsKqly>"
- "The @MilitarySaves Week theme is 'Set a Goal, Make a Plan, Save Automatically.' Pledge or re-pledge today! <http://t.co/MmSaz2djgko> #MSW2013"

At the bottom of the page, there is a "Join the conversation" link.

At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the Military OneSource logo and the text: "Call. 800-342-9647 Click. MilitaryOneSource.mil Connect. 24/7".



Military OneSource Homepage

The screenshot shows the Military OneSource homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for 'PHASES OF MILITARY LIFE', 'BRANCH OF SERVICE', 'THOSE WHO SUPPORT', and 'LOG IN'. The 'LOG IN' tab is circled in red. Below this is a search bar and the slogan 'Call. Click. Connect.'. A secondary navigation bar includes '800-342-9647', 'Counseling Options', 'Military Life Topics', 'Monthly Focus', and 'Social Media Hub'. On the left side, a vertical menu contains 'Need Help?', 'Feedback', and 'Products', with 'Need Help?' circled in red. The main content area features a 'The Military Kids Connect Website' section, a 'BLOG BRIGADE' section with an article about 'Use It Up, Wear It Out, Make It Do or Do Without!', and an 'INSTALLATION LOCATOR' section. On the right, there is a 'MOST POPULAR on MilitaryOneSource' list and a 'Military OneSource TWEETS' section. The footer contains the phone number 'Call. 800-342-9647', the website 'Click. MilitaryOneSource.mil', and the slogan 'Connect. 24/7' followed by a page number '8'.

Talking points

Left menu:

- The Need Help? tab takes users to options for confidential non-medical counseling services.
- The Feedback tab navigates to a contact form for comments and suggestions, technical support or website accessibility.
- The Products tab takes users to a menu of available products arranged by topic or product type, including audio and video tips, booklets, CDs and DVDs, resource guides and toolkits.

Top menu:

- Hover over the Phases of Military Life tab to find helpful information no matter your current phase of military life, including new to the military, single life, career, Guard and reserve, deployment, family life, military leadership and retiring.
- Click your branch of service under the Branch of Service tab for information specific to the Army, Marine Corps, Navy or Air Force.
- The Those who Support tab leads to information specifically for community partners, leaders or command, and service providers.
- The Log In tab takes users to a page that requires a username and password. While much of the information on Military OneSource is public, certain services, including confidential non-medical counseling, products and confidential specialty consultations are available only to eligible individuals through a secure log in.

Briefer notes

- Note that the links for the ePublication Archives and MilitaryINSTALLATIONS, along with many more links, can be found at the bottom of the page.

Confidential Help

Follow Military OneSource:

PHASES OF MILITARY LIFE ▾ BRANCH OF SERVICE ▾ THOSE WHO SUPPORT ▾ LOG IN

Military OneSource *Call. Click. Connect.*

800-342-9647 **Confidential Help ▾** Military Life Topics ▾ Monthly Focus ▾ Social Media Hub ▾

What are you looking for?

800-342-9647 Contact a Military OneSource consultant now

800.342.9647 Military Crisis Line

800.273.TALK (8255) DoD Safe Helpline Sexual Assault Support

877.995.5247

Confidential services, including non-medical counseling and specialty consultations, are available through Military OneSource. Eligible individuals may receive confidential services at no cost. Check eligibility. International Calling Options.

Log in for counseling
Log in to your Military OneSource account to access online counseling services.
LOG IN
Don't have a login yet?
Check eligibility and register now

| Non-Medical Counseling | Specialty Consultations | Other Services and Counseling |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Face-to-Face Counseling | Adoption | Document Translation |
| Online Counseling | Health and Wellness Coaching | Financial Counseling |
| Telephonic Counseling | Special Needs | SECO Counseling |
| | Wounded Warrior | Tax Services |

Need Help?
Feedback
Products

BLOG BRIGADE

Talk To Me Baby: Communicating With Your Spouse
by Kelli on Thu, 07 Nov 2013
When I think of communicating with MY spouse, I think back to several conversations we have had over the years and one particular discussion sticks out in my mind. Even though my military man is a communicator by profession, this does not mean he could always communicate with ME! At this point, I had been ... [read more]

ePUBLICATIONS

MOS eNewsletter

INSTALLATION LOCATOR

Quickly look up information on your installation.

Name of installation

View a directory of installations

or, state name

Military OneSource TWEETS

"Hey #MilFams! Tell Us Tuesday: What's the best thing you've sent in a care package to your deployed service member for the #holidays?"

"Keep the focus on connecting as a family: Creating New Traditions: <http://t.co/MIHeRFzJfi> #milfam #milsponse #milkids"

"RT @MC_FP: @YourCommissary to Begin Scanning Patrons\u2019 ID Cards: <http://t.co/hbV3sMigID> #milfam"

"November is Warrior Care Month. Read the @DeptofDefense Special Report <http://t.co/2kJX8PZM7f> #milfam #woundedwarrior <http://t.co/tPaiTqQz0G>"

".@DeptofDefense #VeteransDay Special Report: <http://t.co/woRwrMx7sk> #sot <http://t.co/x4Uofzbbmg>"

Join the conversation



Confidential Help

The screenshot shows the Military OneSource website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the slogan 'Call. Click. Connect.' and a search bar. Below this is a main menu with 'Confidential Help' highlighted in a red circle. To the left of the main content area, there is a vertical sidebar with a 'Need Help?' button, also circled in red. The main content area is divided into several sections: a contact information box with the phone number 800-342-9647, a list of counseling services (Non-Medical Counseling, Specialty Consultations, and Other Services and Counseling), a 'BLOG BRIGADE' section with a featured article 'Talk To Me Baby: Communicating With Your Spouse', and a 'MILITARY ONESOURCE TWEETS' section. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the contact information 'Call. 800-342-9647 Click. MilitaryOneSource.mil Connect. 24/7' and a page number '9'.

Talking points

- Service members and family members can find confidential non-medical counseling information through the toll-free number, 800-342-9647 or through the links on any Military OneSource page by:
 - Hovering over the Confidential Help tab in the menu at the top of any page to see phone numbers for immediate support and the available counseling options offered through Military OneSource and a description of each, confidential non-medical counseling and specialty consultations as well as other services and counseling options.
 - Clicking the Military Life Topics tab in the menu at the top of any page to reveal a list of program pages. Selecting the non-medical counseling link will navigate to the program page for more information about Military OneSource confidential non-medical counseling options.
 - Clicking the Need Help? button in the left-hand margin of any Military OneSource page to be immediately taken to a simplified Counseling Services page.
- Military OneSource confidential non-medical counseling:
 - Provides up to **12 confidential non-medical counseling sessions**, per person, per issue at no cost. Note: financial counseling is unlimited.
 - Provides confidential **short-term counseling to eligible** individuals with such issues as: relocation, separation, reintegration, relationship issues, parenting skills, communication, anger management, grief, stress, deployment, life skills, coping skills, interpersonal skills and academic or occupational problems.
 - Is available via three different methods for convenience and generational preferences: **face-to-face, telephonic and online**. The Military OneSource consultant will assess your situation and help determine the most beneficial method. In most cases, referrals are made within 72 hours.
 - **Does not** provide or determine medical diagnosis. It is not a part of TRICARE, nor does it substitute for authorizations required for reimbursement under TRICARE.
 - Is not intended to be a part of a patient's Medical Treatment Facility discharge plan or treatment of suicidal or homicidal thoughts, or Family Advocacy Program cases. It is not intended to address sexual assault, abuse, mental health conditions requiring in-patient hospitalizations and other behavioral concerns.
- Military OneSource confidential specialty consultations:
 - Are available online or over the phone with specialists in various fields, including adoption, health and wellness coaching, special needs and wounded warrior.
 - Can be scheduled by calling Military OneSource at 800-342-9647 and asking for an appointment in one of the specialized areas.
- Other Military OneSource services and counseling include:
 - Document translation
 - Financial counseling with certified financial planners
 - SECO counseling to help military spouses with career exploration, education, training and licensure, employment readiness, and career connections
 - Tax services

Briefer notes

- Children are eligible for Military OneSource confidential non-medical face-to-face or telephonic counseling if:
 - A parent attends (for example, family counseling) with a child younger than 13
 - A parent brings a child between 13 and 18 to the individual counseling session
 - The child is 18 years or older

Reintegration

Topics

- › Returning to civilian life
- › Coping with combat stress
- › Understanding compassion fatigue

Resources

- › Materials
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Talking points

- As you return from deployment, you may find the transition to work or civilian life is more challenging than you expected. You might believe your experiences have changed you so much that you can't recapture the relationships you once had with family, friends and coworkers. If you spent time in theater, you may even find yourself reacting to situations in ways that were appropriate in a deployed atmosphere, but not at home or on the job. Although you probably won't go back to being exactly the same person you were before the deployment, there are things you can do to reach the point of finally feeling "home."
- Military OneSource offers many different resources to help with this transition.
 - **Podcasts** offer tips for strengthening family relationships. You can listen to them from your computer or download them for transfer to your MP3 player.
 - Reintegration information and resources can be found by selecting Deployment from the Military Life Topics tab at the top of any Military OneSource page. When you reach the Deployment page, select Post deployment/reintegration from the Deployment Stages section.

Briefer notes

- If possible, invite participants to share other resources that they have found on the topic.
- Podcasts can be found under the Social Media Hub tab at the top of any page or the links at the bottom of any page.

Relationships

Topics

- › Reconnecting with friends and family
- › Becoming a couple again
- › Communicating with children
- › Dealing with conflict

Resources

- › Returning from deployment



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- › Dealing with conflict

Resources

- › Returning from deployment



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Talking points

- As a service member returning from deployment, you may find that your relationships present some challenges.
- Reconnecting with family and friends can seem like starting over rather than picking up where you left off. You may feel you have returned a different person as a result of your experiences and those of your friends and family.
- Old friends may no longer have the same interests, and your social activities may now be different.
- If you are married, your spouse may seem changed by the experience of managing the household alone.
- If you have children, they are now at different stages of development and may have new behaviors and attitudes that require getting used to.

Military OneSource offers a number of options to help you through this transition, like materials and confidential non-medical counseling services.

Military Kids

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Talking points

- Military children face unique challenges as part of a military family, especially when dealing with deployments. Parents need to be aware that they will each react differently to the return of a parent. Some may be very excited and attach themselves to the hips of their returned hero, while others may shy away and be unsure how to proceed in getting to know their parent again. Both of these reactions are completely normal.
- For the returning parent, balancing the time spent with children, spouses, friends and family can be difficult, particularly if you are having feelings of guilt about being away for so long.
- Military OneSource resources can help parents build healthy, positive relationships with children, whether they are infants, toddlers, pre-teens or teenagers.
- Military OneSource podcasts provide additional support to service members and their families.
- DoD library resources, including Tumblebooks are interactive and, in many cases, are read aloud from the website. There are hundreds of titles for early readers through high school. Some of the books also have accompanying puzzles, games and language learning.
- Many educational materials provide information, such as the Sesame Street Talk, Listen and Connect DVD (for children 2-5 years old). Military OneSource also offers Babies, Toddlers and Coping with Military Deployment which is a guide to issues that affect children 0-3 years old who have had a parent deployed.

Financial

Topics

- › Establishing or updating a budget
- › Considering large purchases

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Talking points

- Returning from a deployment may bring about the need to evaluate financial changes that may have occurred. Perhaps you were receiving special duty or family separations pay that are no longer going to be provided, or maybe you saved money and are now looking to make a large purchase. Each of these requires you to take time to look at your finances for any necessary adjustments to budgets and spending.
- For National Guard and reserve audiences only: Perhaps you are returning to a civilian job with a different pay rate than what you have been receiving.
- Military OneSource offers three types of financial services
 - **Financial counseling** is available in person and telephonically. Specialized financial consultations are provided by our on-staff accredited financial counselors on the topics of:
 - Budgeting
 - Credit-card debit management
 - Foreclosures and mortgages
 - Identity theft
 - Permanent Change of Station housing issues
 - **Financial planning**
 - Pre and post-deployment money management
 - Financial calculators can help you in many aspects of financial decision-making. (Should I refinance? How much car can I afford? Should I rent or buy? What will my investment be worth in the future? How long will it take me to pay off my loan? Should I consolidate my loans? How long will my retirement savings last?)
 - **Tax services**
- Military OneSource also offers resources to help you with your finances.
 - **Videos** that you can download and watch from your computer
 - **Educational materials** in many formats, including articles, booklets and recordings (to receive by regular mail, email and download)

Briefer notes

- Face-to-face financial counseling is not available in all areas. Contact Military OneSource to inquire about services in a specific area.



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- Spouse Education and Career Opportunities comprehensive counseling service available to ALL military spouses.
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- Education, training and state licensing/credentialing requirements
- Employment readiness
- Career connections
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Here are the SECO website URLs and a couple of important points about the cornerstones of the SECO Program: the Military Spouse Career Center at Military OneSource, the Military Spouse Employment Partnership (MSEP) and the MyCAA Scholarship program. These are the associated sub-components of SECO. They are worth remembering and learning more about, so visit our websites for more details.

And remember, if you have a question or need help, just call our SECO Counseling staff: 1-800-342-9647. They will provide you with the information and support you need for career success based on your career interests and career lifecycle stage.

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Stay informed of latest career opportunities and connect with other military spouses.

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Use It Up, Wear It Out, Make It Do or Do Without!
by Kelli on Thu, 21 Feb 2013
During the Great Depression, just prior to the U.S. involvement in World War II, the phrase "Use it up, wear it out, make it do or do without" was more than a family adage; it was a national truism. Today's national truism is "Get it now, get it fast and if it breaks, get a ... [read more]"

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An online platform where participants can discuss topics related to military life that are important to service members and their families.

MODERATED CHATS
Live, interactive online events where you can share your ideas, opinions, and experiences on a variety of topics.

WIDGETS
Widgets are online applications that display featured information on your web page, blog, social networking site, or other sites.

SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDE (PDF)
Guidelines structured to provide open, interactive social media channels where all users can engage and connect.





Talking points

Access to Military OneSource social media outlets is conveniently located on the homepage.

- View the Twitter feed on the right-hand side of the page.
- Follow the link to the Military OneSource Facebook page.
- The latest Blog Brigade entry can be found just below the image box, in the middle of the page.

More complete access to social media can be found by hovering over the Social Media Hub tab at the top of the homepage. Here you'll find links to:

- Social media hub
- Blog Brigade
- Discussion boards
- Podcasts
- Webinars
- Widgets
- Videos

Briefer notes

Explain some of the social media offerings and remind audience of upcoming webinars.

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Talking points

While we mentioned only a few topics today, there are many other topical resources available by browsing the website or calling a consultant. In fact, we have thousands of educational materials available to you.

All of our materials are available at no cost and come in the form of booklets, articles, CDs, audio tips and web links.

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Talking points

- Military One Source provides electronic library resources at no cost 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year. Note for Guard, reserve and remote location audiences: This is a particularly helpful benefit for those who may not have physical access to an installation library.
- The online resources are provided by the DoD Morale, Welfare and Recreation Library program and can be accessed through the Morale, Welfare and Recreation link under the Military Life Topics tab.

Briefer notes

- Discuss some of the information that is available using the selected widgets on the slide. Not all resources available are represented on the slide.
 - **Peterson's Education Resource Center** provides study guides and practice tests for SAT, ACT, CLEP, ASVAB, certifications and more, as well as help with scholarships and the admissions process.
 - **Morningstar Investment Research Center** offers information and advice on mutual funds, stocks, exchange traded funds and companies.
 - **Career Transitions** helps users find job announcements, write a resume, map military experience to civilian jobs, write a cover letter, access career interests and participate in an interview simulation.
 - **Master File Premier and Academic One Source** links to scholarly and informational full-text journal articles, including extensive coverage of the sciences, technology, medicine, the arts, theology, literature, history and culture.

- **Auto Repair Reference Center** offers complete automotive repair manuals, 1954 to current.
- **Heritage Quest** offers an essential collection of unique materials for both genealogical and historical researchers with coverage dating back to the late 1700s.
- **Kids InfoBits** is designed especially for students in kindergarten through grade five.
- **Culture Grams** allows users to experience the world and its people through detailed cultural information on more than 200 countries through both adult and child interfaces.
- **One Click Digital and EBSCO eBooks Collection** offers downloadable audio files and eBooks for checkout.
- **TumbleBook Library** is an online collection of eBooks for reading, listening and playing games for ages 4-12.
- **Safari Books Online** is an eReference library with thousands of business and information technology books.
- **Tutor.com** is a one-on-one online live homework help site. See registration site for eligibility.
- **NewsBank** offers electronic editions of the Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, Navy, and Federal Times and other Defense and Government publications.
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Talking points

- Military OneSource is available **24/7/365**, in other words, when you need us, we are there.
- You can **call our toll-free number** to talk to a **trained master's-level consultant** who can offer confidential support and up-to-date practical solutions or appropriate referrals.
- Or, access our website and browse through everything the site has to offer, including webinars, newsletters and all of the other support discussed during this presentation.
- Even on the go, Military OneSource is at your fingertips. The mobile site allows you to reach all of the resources of the traditional Military OneSource website no matter where you are.
- Access to some information and services, including confidential non-medical counseling, requires you to log-in. To do so, you will need to create your own user name and password.
- You also have the option to **email a consultant** your question. The consultant will research your request and get back to you. If your request is urgent or time sensitive, you will want to call the toll-free number to speak with a live consultant.
- **All Military OneSource services and materials are available at no cost to service members and their families.**

- Additionally, Military OneSource is constantly looking for ways to improve the service, and values all feedback. We conduct surveys asking for information on your experience. The 12-question survey will periodically appear on the website, or you can access it direct via the Contact Us link.
- For a situation where the service did not meet the expectation, there is a **customer recovery** process in place. Each complaint is documented and taken very seriously. All departments are notified to ensure proper training and actions are taken to immediately respond to the breakdown. Rest assured that Military OneSource truly cares for, and is committed to service members and families and **strives for 100 percent customer satisfaction.**

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Talking points

- Does anyone have any questions?
- Let them know how long you will be around after the presentation and where they can find you if they think of a question they would like to ask later on.
- Direct additional questions to the Military OneSource call center at 800-342-9647.



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Briefer notes

Point out the contact phone number and website to audience members and remind them to direct additional questions and concerns to a Military OneSource consultant through the call center.