WHAT’S TROUBLING YOU?

Check any of the following that apply to you.

☐ Much of my time is spent drinking alone or with friends.
☐ I am no longer able to concentrate.
☐ I have trouble paying my bills.
☐ There is too much stress at home or work.
☐ I have aches and pains because of tension.
☐ I have to go to court in the near future.
☐ I get upset easily.
☐ I often rely on alcohol or drugs to relieve stress.
☐ I often feel tense.
☐ I have a poor opinion of myself.
☐ I feel sad or blue most of the time.
☐ I have trouble getting along with my coworkers.
☐ Nothing seems fun anymore.
☐ My family is having major problems right now.
☐ I worry myself sick.
☐ Lately I would rather die than go on living.
☐ I am often angry at others.
☐ I feel that I am a failure.
☐ I am worried about my health.
☐ I have trouble sleeping.
☐ I sometimes miss work because of my drinking or drug use.

If you checked any of the above statements, you may need to see an EAP professional. If you checked several, please call now:

719-526-2196

The EAP is the point-of-contact for the Hospital’s Impaired Health-Care Personnel Program and assists with screening, referral to treatment, and return to duty.

Health Care Personnel may access the program webpage through the EACH Intranet employee links tab.

Confidential Civilian Assistance Services

The FT. Carson Employee Assistance Program is a free service available to Department of Army Civilian Employees, active duty-spouse and family members, and retired military and eligible family members. The program offers short-term screening, intervention and referral services, worksite intervention, consultation services, a wide variety of trainings, and reintegration assistance.

Employee Assistance Program 719-526-2196
**What is the Employee Assistance Program?**

Employee Assistance Programs (EAPs) have been around since the 1940’s in one form or another. These programs are designed to provide assistance to employees and their families for a variety of reasons.

As employees, you are a valuable resource. When you are working at your best, the Installation is operating at its best.

Coping with a problem is a normal part of life. Most times we are able to resolve problems that arise before they have a serious impact on our lives. However, there may be times when you feel that you could use a helping hand. ASAP’s EAP program was designed for those times. The EAP is a confidential, civilian-based program designed to help resolve personal problems before they disrupt personal and/or work life.

**Who Is Eligible?**

DA civilian employees, active duty-spouse, retirees and their immediate family members may contact the EAP Coordinator (EAPC) for services. Employees may also be referred by a supervisor or manager when abrupt changes in job performance and/or personal conduct impact the workplace.

Employees cannot be forced to participate in the EAP but supervisors will often highly recommend that employees get help through this program as a means of helping the employee to maintain an acceptable level of performance.

The EAP is not to be used as a disciplinary tool.

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**Is the EAP Confidential?**

Employees can seek help through the EAP without fear of personal information getting out to others. Confidentiality is an utmost concern for the EAP.

Your visit with the EAPC will be CONFIDENTIAL. Most of the time information you share is confidential and will not be disclosed without your written consent. However, as required by law or regulation we must disclose:

- Threat of serious harm to self or others;
- Suspected child or elder abuse and neglect;
- Information required by a court order, and
- Criminal Activity.

No records related to counseling will be placed in your personnel file, nor will promotion or transfer opportunities be affected if you use the program.

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**What Happens When You Use the EAP?**

The time you spend with the EAPC is called an assessment. The purpose of this meeting is for the EAPC to learn more about your concerns and help you find ways to resolve them. (When an employee discusses his or her problem with the EAP they are under no obligation to enter treatment or counseling.) The primary goal of the EAPC is to help civilians find solutions towards improving their quality of life.

The EAPC is knowledgeable about the best community resources available to you and may recommend that you continue to get help by accepting a referral to the most appropriate resource.

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**How Do I Access the EAP?**

The EAP is a voluntary program for civilians who receive confidential assistance for problems. Employees may receive help through the EAP by simply asking their supervisor to contact the program coordinator to set up an appointment. However, they do not have to discuss their personal problems with their supervisor.

Some employees prefer not to let anyone know that they intend to use the EAP service. In this case, they can contact the EAP coordinator directly to schedule an appointment. They will need to take annual leave, sick leave, or make an appointment before or after your duty hours.

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**How Much Does It Cost?**

Services provided by the EAPC are free. Any costs for other resources will be the responsibility (e.g., clinical counseling services, medical appointment) of the individual. The EAPC will discuss your insurance benefits with you. Every effort will be made to help you get the best services available.

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