

# Ensuring Impact: Military and Veteran Children and Families

## Session 1



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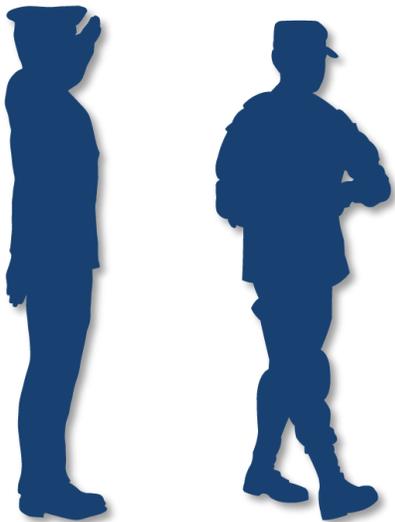


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## Screening and Engagement



# Military and Veteran Children and Families

## Session 1 Agenda



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- Welcome and Introductions
  - *Michelle Cleary, M.A.*
- Learning Community Group Objectives
  - Share ongoing efforts to engage Military and Veteran Children and Families
- Screening and Engagement
  - *Gregory Leskin, Ph.D.*
  - *Hisako Sonethavilay, M.S.W.*
- Facilitated Discussion
- Next Steps and Adjourn

# Welcome



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# Introductions



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- Take a minute to introduce yourself!
  - Name
  - Agency
  - How are you and/or your team currently working with military and/or veteran families?

# Thank you for joining us!



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- *Tim Keesling*, Director, Veterans Mental Health Coordination and Programs, Office of Mental Health Coordination, Texas Health and Human Services, Texas Governor's Challenge Team
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# Thank you for joining us!



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# Learning Community Objectives

- Discuss ways to identify which families and children receiving services have military or veteran affiliation
- Identify screening approaches for suicide, substance abuse, and trauma in children of service members and veterans
- Address stigma and barriers to care in families of service members and veterans
- Discuss workforce training opportunities
- Identify opportunities for connections in communities that can reduce isolation and alienation
- Discuss the family impact of the reintegration of service members and transition of veterans
- Outline trauma-informed service system approaches that address behavioral health needs of children and families



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## Housekeeping

1. Identify yourself each time you speak

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- 2.



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3. Participate – these are highly interactive sessions



4. Keep others in mind



# Poll Question 1



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- What screenings are currently being used in your community/state:
  - a) Veteran status
  - b) Trauma
  - c) Suicidality
  - d) Other

# Session 1 Screening and Engagement



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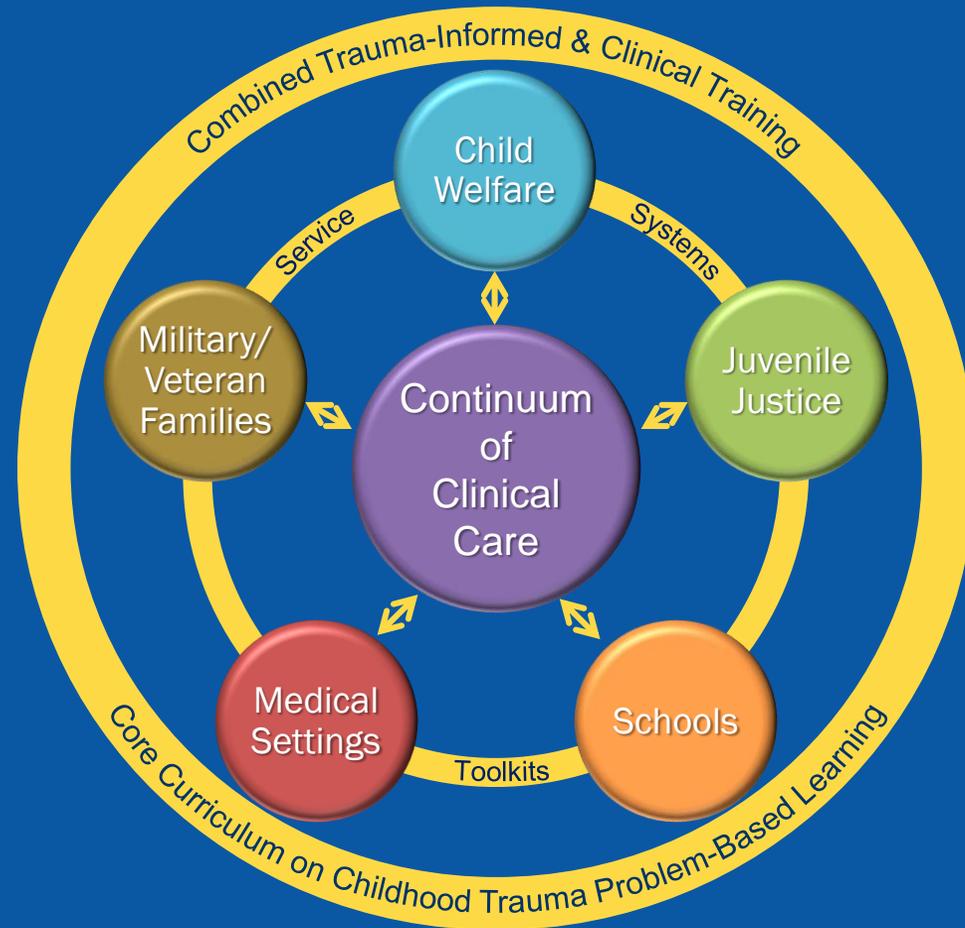
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# National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN)

- The National Child Traumatic Stress Network was established by Congress in 2000 to raise the standard of care and improve access to services for traumatized children, their families and communities
- The NCTSN serves as a resource for developing and disseminating evidence-based interventions, trauma-informed services, and public and professional education





# Why are we discussing military and veteran families and children?

- Large numbers of married service members and service members with children.
- Responsibility for physical and psychological healthcare.
- Service member, spouse, children can all share strong identification as Military Family.
- Family shares service member with military.
- Roles and responsibilities can shift rapidly in the family as a result of military life/deployment.
- Families may contend with separation from parent/partner (physically, psychologically)
- Family's resilience can support service member's resilience.
- Family life can change in transition to civilian life.

# What We've Learned about Military Families:

- Core Values of Military Families
  - Honor, Courage, Loyalty, Integrity, and Commitment
  - Service Orientation
  - Grit, Determination, Perseverance
- Unique demands of military life
  - Separations, moves, new schools
  - Deployments and family reintegration
  - Need for adjustments
  - Transition to veteran/civilian life

## What We've Learned about Military Families:

- Families living under the danger of war
  - Vulnerabilities
  - Impact and consequences for service members, spouses, children and families
- Long Term Impact on families and children
  - Intergenerational transmission of trauma
  - Family Violence
  - PTSD
  - Substance Abuse

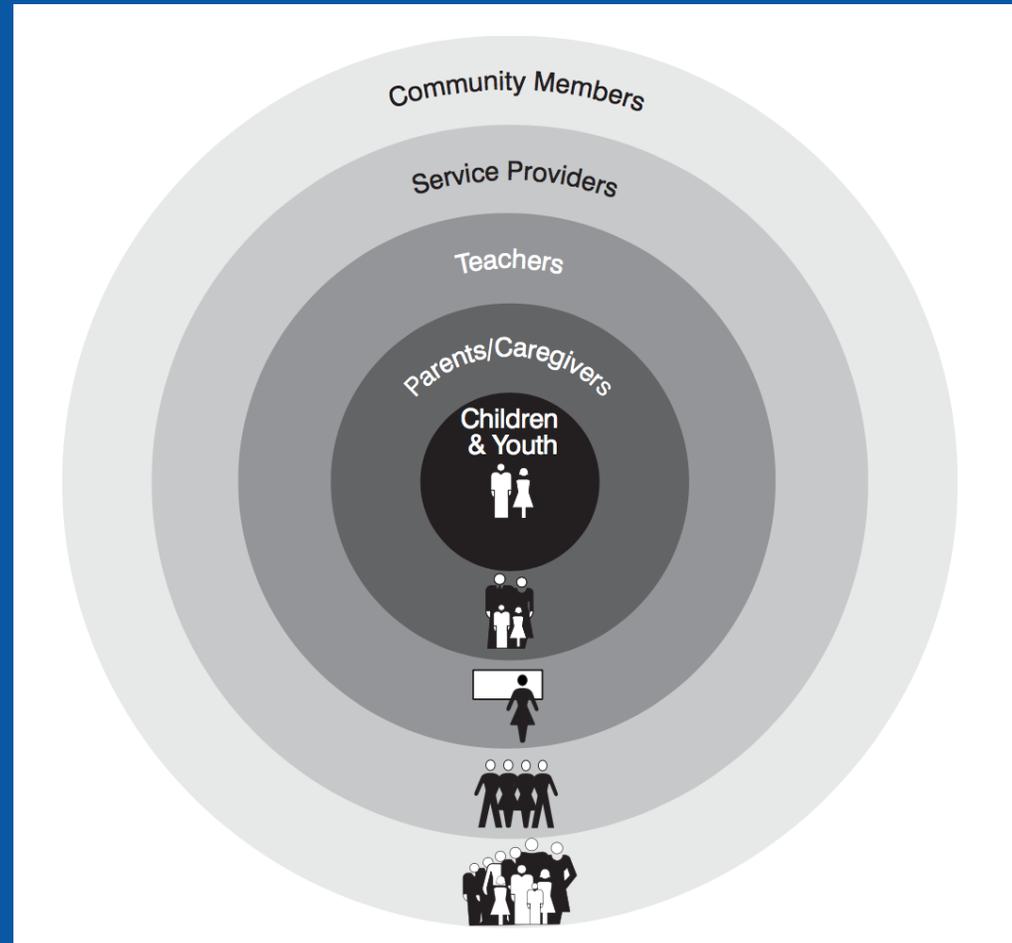
# Synthesis of the Literature on Veteran Children

- Veteran Children
  - Demographics
  - Health status
  - Resilience
  - Risk Factors
  - Consider Longitudinal Data
  - Lasting effect of military life/transition on youth
- Status of Veteran Families (e.g. Family composition, marital status, family fx)
- Veteran Caregivers
- Transmission of stress due to PTSD, TBI, Other Mental Health Conditions, Physical Disability
- Prevention & Intervention with Veteran children/families/couple dyads/family members (e.g. spouse, parent or other loved one)
- Family function across Journey of Veteran
  - Reintegration i.e.- First year of transition (Consider Getting out/Separation; Starting up)
  - “Taking Care of Self” (Consider child care opportunities)
  - “Putting Down Roots” (Consider child care opportunities; educational benefits)
  - “Retirement” (Intergenerational impact)

# Multiple Frameworks

- Ecological: Military child is embedded within multiple interdependent micro and macro systems that is unique due to policies, history, and mission of military.
- Developmental: Military child's growth is shaped by their experience within these systems.
- Resiliency: military families share interest to maintain successful adaptation in context of challenging and sometimes traumatic circumstances.
- Adjustment: Research suggesting length of deployment, parental distress and parental mental health may negatively impact child mental health.

# Social Developmental Ecologies



# Transitions for Military and Veteran Families

- Permanent Change in Station (PCS): Movements around the world. Some families describe travel as one of the greatest parts of the adventure being in a military family. But can also potentially impact the family in terms of social life, academic disruption, and continuity in interests and activities.
- Many military families have endured repeated and extended deployments for service member to Iraq and Afghanistan. It's possible for a 12 year old child to have grown up and knows only of life through the lens of deployment. Development throughout deployment.
- Transition to civilian life may be difficult for these families with potential for loss of structure, economic security, housing, benefits. Relief can also be difficult and challenging.

# NCTSN Professional Resources

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NCTSN Learning Center for Child and Adolescent Trauma



**NCTSN Military and Veteran Families and Children Training Resources and Technical Assistance: Supporting Military and Veteran Children Affected by Trauma**

**URL**  
<http://learn.nctsn.org/military>

**Resource Topics**

- Overview on Military Families and Children
- Military and Veteran Culture
- Child Maltreatment and Domestic Violence
- Evidence-based Practices for Military and Veteran Families
- Military Families Access Service Systems
- Grief and Loss Issues
- Providing Services and Programs

The NCTSN Military and Veteran Families Program serves as a national resource for mental health providers, educators and policy makers supporting our service members, veterans and their families. Since 2001, NCTSN has increased our nation's overall capacity to provide child and family trauma services to active duty, Guard/Reserve and Veteran Families and their children. Through strategic partnerships with key government agencies (DoD, VA, SAMHSA, SWF TA Center), the NCTSN has been able to assist State and community-based agencies become more military/veteran family informed, incorporate military and veteran-based screening tools, as well as provide workforce training initiatives on evidence-based prevention and intervention for military and veteran family and child populations.

To view these resources, you must register for a free Learning Center account. Register online at <http://learn.nctsn.org/register>.

For more information about this program, contact [militaryfamilies@nctsn.org](mailto:militaryfamilies@nctsn.org). For help and other questions, contact [help@nctsn.org](mailto:help@nctsn.org).

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## WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH MILITARY FAMILIES

★ 10 KEY CONCEPTS ALL PROVIDERS SHOULD KNOW ★

★ **MILITARY FAMILIES ARE RESILIENT** ★



Resilience is defined as the ability to overcome challenges with flexibility, inner strength, and a positive outlook. For military families, life's challenges may arise in the form of deployment or redeployment of the service member, frequent moves to another state or country, the return of a member with physical or mental wounds, and other stressful events unique to military life. Most military families find resilience through a strong sense of purpose and deep loyalty to their loved ones, the military and country. Many service members are so certain that they will get the needs of others before their own, it takes the entire provider to serve duty overseas, or National Guard, civilian support systems for families are available online and supporting military communities. Even outside these systems, mental health providers should be ready to support the resilience of military families and help them understand the importance of physical and emotional self care as a strategy to learn from their military families and resilience is [www.militaryfamilyresilience.org](http://www.militaryfamilyresilience.org) strategies to encourage help and support for families' needs [www.militaryfamilyresilience.org](http://www.militaryfamilyresilience.org) Military Family Resilience Institute, offering resources on psychological resilience

★ **MILITARY FAMILY SEPARATIONS ARE DIFFICULT AND COMPLICATED** ★



More than a million American service members have been deployed worldwide since 2001. More than 300,000 civilians have been deployed more than once. Knowledge about military deployments – the average length of a tour or mission, support available for family members who have been left behind and the challenges posed before, during, and after a deployment – will help providers appreciate the impact of separations on the service member, family and community. Learn more about deployments and reintegration at [www.gilchristlab.com](http://www.gilchristlab.com) [www.gilchristlab.com](http://www.gilchristlab.com) information on deployment trends and health care [www.militaryfamilyresilience.org](http://www.militaryfamilyresilience.org) resources for post deployment services and self care

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## AFTER SERVICE: VETERAN FAMILIES IN TRANSITION

Millions of service families have their special needs for the United States during deployments to conflict zones. Those who served as our country's best and brightest, clearly sacrificing more than a 7 million, are the first to serve going to be thinking the transition from military to civilian life. The majority of their cases all ranks of service, are spouses with children. As the service families separate from the military and adjust to civilian life, so does the military family.

What happens to families after separation from the military? For and especially at the stages of a loved one they struggle with painful realities and adjustments. Many families have kept a very strong connection to their military community and identity and have benefited from the clear best strategies and support systems surrounding these lives. The challenges of transition are minimized if the service families have thrived as a result of physical support, long-term care, PTSD, depression and anxiety, or traumatic brain injury – acts of war leave the spouses, children, and parents. All told, the transition from military to civilian life is one of the most traumatic stages in the life of the family. Yet, it is likely to be met with the extraordinary strength and resilience that have long been associated with military families. The goal of this fact sheet is to ease the concerns of service providers about the needs of this unique community of families, and to offer guidance in working with them as they establish a new foundation.

### TODAY'S MILITARY VETERAN FAMILY

A veteran family is generally defined as a family with a parent, child, or sibling who served as an active duty service member or in the National Guard or Reserve. Although the majority of families in the military is gradually increasing, most service families are still, and in that families the service families is the father (or son or brother). Beyond the generation, today's veteran families exist in many forms.

The service families they are required with the as low working families as in a recognized family involving extended relatives, particularly if the service families has experienced a challenging way to pass through a divorce. Although active duty military families experience lower rates of divorce than their civilian counterparts, veteran families experience more than threefold higher divorce rates. Often the divorce rates continue and increase a step further that they result in divorce (geographic and emotional) from military children. The new family they have as military with military life and will benefit to experiencing the aftermath of service. Of course, the veteran family members have a parent to assist or guide. Some veteran families who lack adequate supports in transition find themselves beginning to they begin to adjust and cope with challenges.

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## CHILD MALTREATMENT IN MILITARY FAMILIES A FACT SHEET FOR PROVIDERS

More than a decade after 9/11, United States military families find historic stresses in conjunction with the deployments of service members in overseas operations. Many military families have experienced both during and after extended separations and even repeated deployments. Many other military families are still struggling with the effects of separation, change, and loss while serving. Child maltreatment and deliberate violence have occurred in some of these families, and these military children who have experienced maltreatment are setting in the attention of health care providers within the military system and in the community. This fact sheet profile child maltreatment in military families. It also reviews for providers the key concepts, findings, and interventions that will support them in their approach to the care of today's military family.

### WHAT PROVIDERS SHOULD KNOW

#### MILITARY FAMILIES GRAPPLE WITH UNIQUE STRESSORS

Military families serve and sacrifice extensively for their country. In doing so, they experience stressful circumstances that are tied to the nature of military service itself. Frequent moves, separations from family and support networks, lengthy absences of a parent, increased demands on at least parents, the return of a service member with physical or mental wounds, and other traumas and events that are unique to military life. Military parents are challenged to ensure new responses, or establish themselves as new contributors, and help the entire family integrate into a new life. Military children have to adjust to a new location, a new school, and a new group of friends, even as they cope with learning from and feeling people and places.

These following circumstances are experiences children's emotional and behavioral functioning, and place them at increased risk for maltreatment. The way children respond to stressors is closely linked to how the parents themselves respond and adjust. Normal responses they experience emerging and parent-child relationships on a daily basis, and they they affect the child's level of risk for maltreatment and emotional and behavioral difficulties.

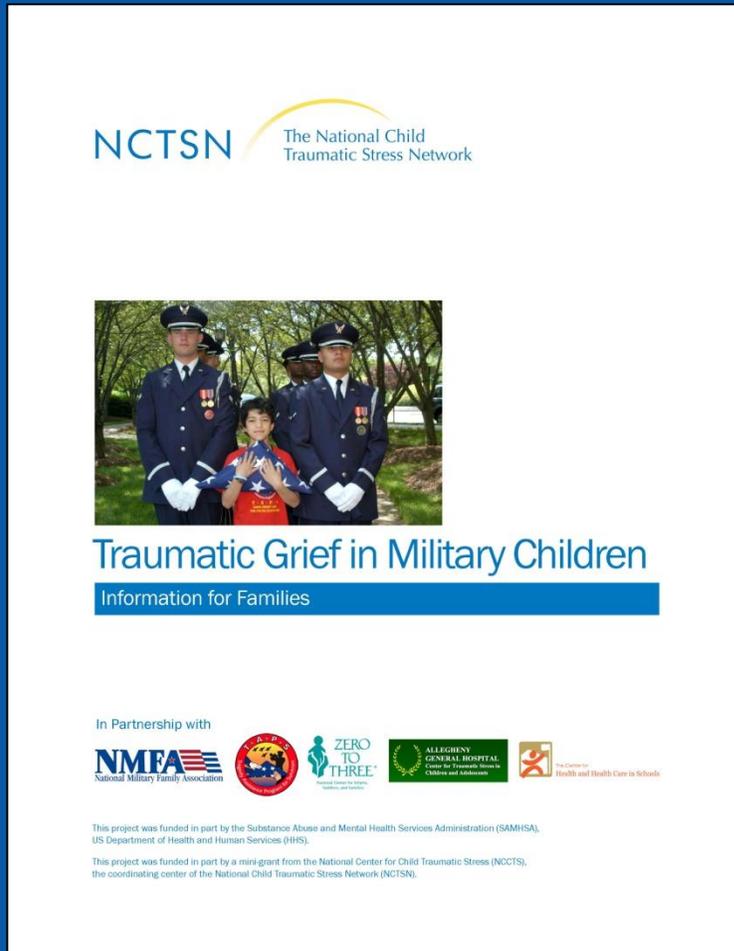
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# NCTSN: Traumatic Grief in Military Children Information Series



## Traumatic Grief in Military Children

- Provides culturally competent materials for educating families, medical professionals, and school personnel about how to better serve military children who are experiencing traumatic grief

# Learning Objectives

- Provide accurate, up-to -date information (psychoeducation)
- Help providers to successfully engage families and children
  - Adapt treatments to military context
- Assist families and youth to maintain well-being.
- Explain Trauma Informed Approaches and Interventions
- Addressing and Overcoming Stigma
- Creating accurate expectations regarding accessing treatment

# Military and Veteran Families Culturally-Informed Engagement Strategies

- De-stigmatize efforts “family program in family friendly settings”
- Focus on strengths of service member, veteran and family
- Education for those who might encounter military families and Veterans
- Appreciation for all, care for those at greatest risk
- Flexibility (“things change”)
- Family friendly hours
- Appreciation for military culture as well as all other self-identifying attributes
- Transitions
- Continuum of care and support
- Sustained efforts over time

# Engagement Strategies and Barriers

- Engagement seen as a dynamic process of education, recognition of problems and receiving appropriate resources.
- Behavioral and attitudinal components of engagement
  - Attendance and participation in programs
  - Emotional investment and commitment to program goals
- Can address perceptual barriers including need for and expectation of therapy or counseling, and beliefs in the therapeutic process
- Identifying self-care

# Resources related to Adult and Child Trauma

- Potential causal relationship between trauma and psyche, body, spirit and functioning.
- Description of symptoms related to trauma, including post-traumatic stress, depression, anxiety, suicidal thinking, rumination, substance abuse.
- Potential to disrupt primary relationship/academic achievement.
- Treatments that are available adapted for military families
- Well being, self-care and resilience approaches
- Encouraging statements about strengths and recovery
- Connection to broad array of help-providing clinical service systems, crises intervention and partner organizations.

# Child and Family Interventions

A selection of Evidence Based Interventions

Developed for or Adapted to needs of Military or Veteran Families

- Parent Child Interactive Therapy (PCIT)
- Trauma-Focus Cognitive Behavior Therapy (TF-CBT)
- Child Parent Psychotherapy (CPP)
- Traumatic Grief Component Therapy
- FOCUS/FOCUS CI
- Strong Families, Strong Forces
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- ADAPT
- Protective Factors Framework

Thank you!!

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# Round Robin

**Question:**  
*What ideas do you or your team have to engage SMVF in your state/community?*

Name	Team
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John Curran	Hillsborough County
Celeste Ainsley	Las Vegas
Debbie Rich	Oklahoma City
Tom Ronanye Mayer Bellehsen	Suffolk County
Tim Keesling	Texas
Peter Luitwieler	Tulsa
Kim Donohue	Truckee Meadows

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Tracie Lynn Brasier	New Mexico
Rachel Donovan	New Mexico
Chris Hendrix	Florida
Catherine Hernandez	Florida
Cella Logan	Florida
Kellie Jo Kilberg	Florida
Alicia Rossiter	Florida
Elizabeth Smith	Florida

## Poll Question 2



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Do you think your team would need additional technical assistance support in identifying and/or establishing new screening resources?

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) Maybe

# Blue Star Families Military Family Lifestyle Survey



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**MILITARY FAMILY  
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Blue Star Families is an organization connecting military families with community neighbors to ease the challenges of military life and provide simple ways for all Americans to help keep our military strong.

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# TELLING THE STORY

2018  
 **BLUE STAR FAMILIES**  
**MILITARY FAMILY  
LIFESTYLE SURVEY**

In collaboration with



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*“BSF’s annual survey helps the Elizabeth Dole Foundation identify important emerging trends affecting military families and caregivers.”*

**-The Elizabeth Dole Foundation**

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## LISTEN

Our Survey has a proven track record of elevating the voices of those who serve to the leaders and decision makers who can make their lives better.



## SHARE

We lead the field in launching conversations and fostering collaboration among different sectors, organizations and institutions.



## ACT

We translate our Survey’s data into action.

## APPRECIATION WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING

41%

of military and veteran families feel general public **truly appreciates** the sacrifices made by service members and their families

18%

feel general public **truly understands** their sacrifice

19%

feel general public is **aware** of the significant **challenges** military service placed on families

Top way to improve the the civilian-military divide: increase honest messaging about about the realities, difficulties, and sacrifices of contemporary military life

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# TOP ISSUES FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY FAMILIES

Amount of time away from family **51%**

Military spouse employment **44%**

Dependent children's education **42%**

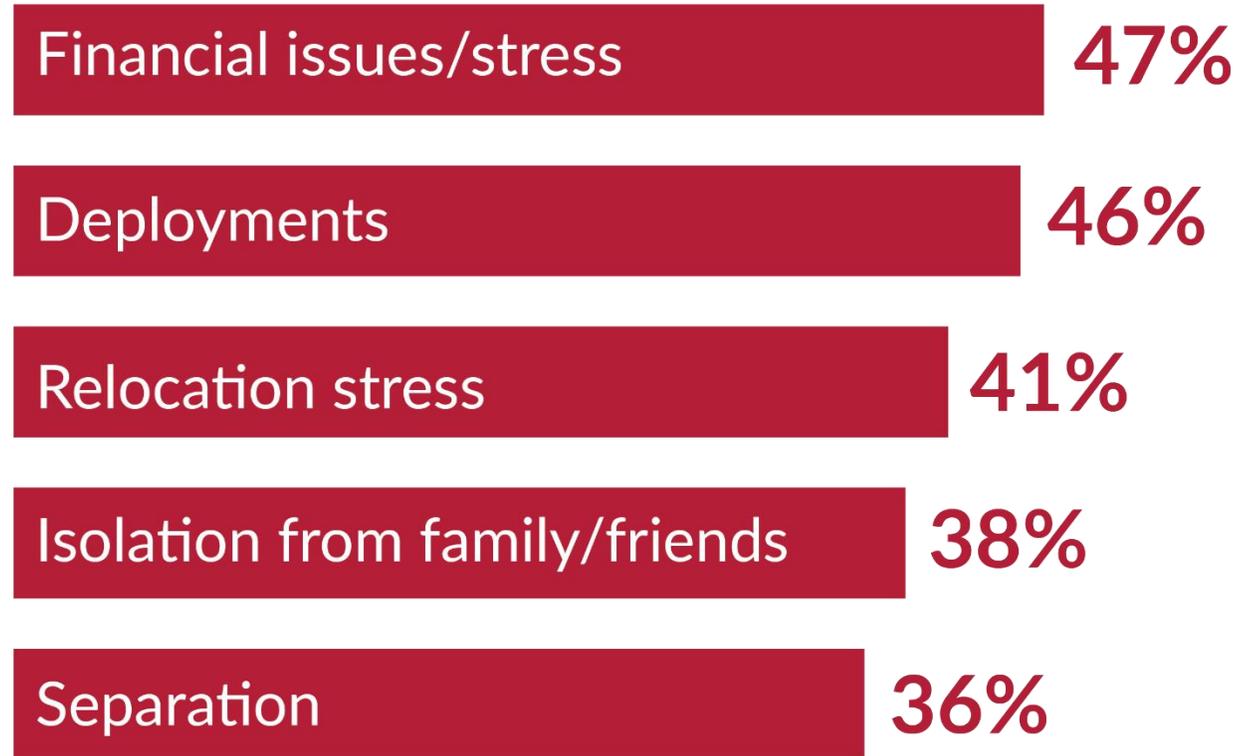
Impact of deployment on children **39%**

Military pay/benefits **35%**



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# TOP STRESSORS FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY FAMILIES



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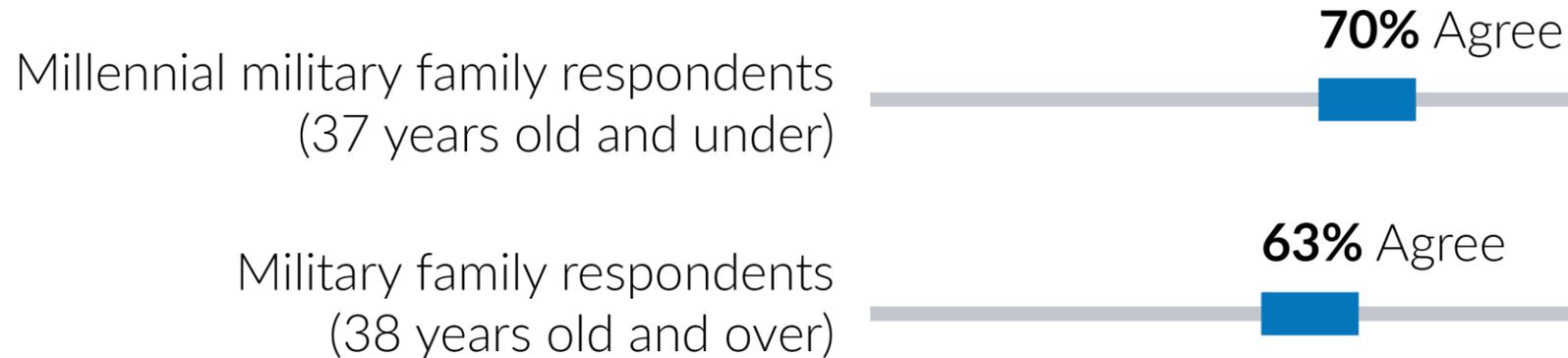


## TWO-INCOMES VITAL TO FAMILY'S WELL-BEING

70% of Millennial families feel two incomes vital to family's well-being

52% of military spouse un/underemployment top financial obstacle

Only 10% of military spouses who are not employed but want to be report financially okay with just service member's paycheck



**Regardless of rank**, Millennial officer and enlisted family respondents **both agree at higher levels** than military family respondents over 37 years old.

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# SUPPORTING THE MILITARY FAMILY ACROSS FAMILY SEPARATIONS

41% of military family respondents had 6+ months of family separation in the last 18 months.

57% had a child who experienced separation anxiety/sleeping problems due to parent's deployment

Military children fare better when military spouses are less stressed during deployment

**Increased** stress

**Increased** number of **negative** child outcomes selected

**Decreased** stress

**Increased** number of **positive** child outcomes selected

A statistically significant difference was found in the number of both negative and positive deployment-related outcomes across stress levels of military spouse respondents

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# MILITARY SPOUSES WITH A MENTAL HEALTH DIAGNOSIS FEEL LESS OF A SENSE OF BELONGING TO THEIR COMMUNITIES

23%

of military spouses report a diagnosis of depression; 4% considered suicide in past year

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*“I feel as though everyone wants to understand military service member suicide but no one cares about spouses back home while their husband is deployed or the impact deployments have on children. No one researches mental health of families, only the service member.”*

**-Army Spouse**

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# RESPONDENTS SEEK DIVERSE HEALTH CARE & MENTAL HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENTS

Health care benefits second top reason for staying in military

Service members least satisfied with ease of access and timeliness of care (43%) and the quality of care (61%)

	SERVICE MEMBERS	VETERANS	MILITARY & VETERAN SPOUSES
<b>TOP WAYS TO IMPROVE HEALTH CARE</b>			
1.	Obtaining appointments when needed	Full coverage of alternative care for dependents	
2.	Full coverage of alternative care for dependents	Obtaining appointments when needed	Continuity of care
3.	Continuity of care		Obtaining appointments when needed

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## TRANSITIONING VETERANS NOT PREPARED

The majority of veteran respondents were not prepared for their transition and indicated their expectations did not match their experiences

These families less likely to be satisfied with support received by Department of Defense



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# BLUE STAR FAMILIES PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES



Blue Star Connected  
Communities



Blue Star Careers  
*Spouseforce, Networks Live, Blue  
Star Business Council*



Blue Star Books  
*START Book Clubs (Serving, Thriving,  
and Reading Together)*



Blue Star Museums



Blue Star Parks



Blue Star Neighbors



Annual Military Family  
Lifestyle Survey

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# BLUE STAR NATION: BUILDING COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTIONS



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*Facebook: @BlueStarFamilies*

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# Round Robin

**Question:**  
*How will the materials presented today inform how you and your team will work with military and/or veteran families?*

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Celeste Ainsley	Las Vegas
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Peter Luitwieler	Tulsa
Kim Donohue	Truckee Meadows

Carissa Bergosh	Jacksonville, Florida
Tracie Lynn Brasier	New Mexico
Rachel Donovan	New Mexico
Chris Hendrix	Florida
Catherine Hernandez	Florida
Cella Logan	Florida
Kellie Jo Kilberg	Florida
Alicia Rossiter	Florida
Elizabeth Smith	Florida

# Homework



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- Please review the school forms that include questions about military/veteran status. After reviewing these forms, please complete the following questions:
  1. Which programs in your area are currently asking questions of families about military and Veteran status?
  2. If the individual indicates they have military/veteran status, how does (or would) the program respond (provide support to) the family members?
  3. What are your thoughts about use of these forms more generally in school or other community settings?

# Next Steps



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- Next Session – Thursday, July 25, 2019
  - *Please be sure to register for the next session!*
- Wrap Up and Adjourn

Thank you!



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