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Gina Beck is the new Carlisle Barracks Sexual Assault Response Coordinator.

A face new to Carlisle Barracks, but not the Army or Central Pa., is bringing with her lessons learned from a nearly 20 year Army career as the new Carlisle Barracks Sexual Assault Response Coordinator.

Gina Beck, who was most recently the SARC for the entire Pennsylvania National Guard, based out of Ft. Indiantown Gap, Pa., steps into an important role here. A native of Donora, Pa., Beck has served 19 years in a variety of positions in the Army Reserve, Pennsylvania and North Carolina National Guard and active duty Army.

I really want to get people to understand the prevalence of sexual assault, talking about it more, and knowing the resources that are available for those who have been victimized," she said. In her role as the SARC, she will create training and policy that will increase awareness, focus on prevention, and streamline reporting and response time for victims.

While she said there are not necessarily problems here, it extends to all parts of life outside the gates.

"Recent studies have said that as many as one in four women and one in six males have been a victim of a sexual assault," she said. "That's what I want to make sure to try and educate not only our military personnel but our civilian employees as well. I want to make sure everyone is armed with all of the resources and know of the programs available."

She noted that coming here from the Pa. National Guard was quite a change in the scope of her job.

"I'm coming from a program that was responsible for more than 20,000 military men and women to an environment of more like 1400, with a majority of those being civilians," she said. "I'm excited to be

here and to tackle this new challenge.”

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