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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL MILITARY AND CIVILIANS ON CARLISLE BARRACKS

SUBJECT: Commander's Policy # 14, Supervision of Children

1. PURPOSE: To provide guidelines for supervision of children at Carlisle Barracks, PA.

2. REFERENCES:

a. Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) 6060.02, Child Development Programs, Dated 5 August 2014.

b. AR 608-10, Child Development Services, 11 May 2017.

c. AR 608-18, Army Family Advocacy Program, 13 September 2011.

d. AR 608-75, Exceptional Family Member Program, 27 January 2017.

3. APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to anyone with children on installation regardless of status or assignment.

4. BACKGROUND: This guidance should be a minimum basic standard and not a parent's sole determining factor as to their child's ability to remain at home safely. The ages are provided as a guide for parents to use to make an informed choice.

5. POLICY: The Carlisle Barracks guidelines for the supervision of minor children are based on the child's age.

a. Children 3 years old and younger require direct supervision. Leaving these children unattended at any time or place is prohibited — parents must be able to respond to any emergency or threatening situation.

b. Children ages 4-6 can play in appropriately designed safe areas, but must do so under immediate supervision so the parent can respond quickly to emergencies.

c. Children 7-9 years of age are encouraged to explore their environment but must do so under monitored supervision with readily available access to an adult.

d. Children 10-11 years of age are in a transitional period and may gradually begin to exercise self-care beginning with short periods of time (up to 2 hours), provided the parent/guardian believes the child is ready to exercise self-care. While exercising self-care for any length of time during this transitional period, children are required to have ready access to an adult as arranged by their parent/guardian prior to leaving the 10 year old alone. Education

by the parent/guardian on self-care and personal safety is highly recommended prior to leaving the 10 year old alone for the first time and then at regular intervals during the transitional period.

e. Children ages 12-17 are permitted to operate under self-care supervision, but not overnight. Parents are encouraged to check in on the child in person or telephonically regularly. Additionally, there must be an emergency plan in place.

f. Children 12 years old and older may baby-sit. A babysitting course is highly recommended.

g. Children may not operate under self-supervision overnight. Overnight child care or babysitting may not be provided by anyone under the age of 18 years.

h. Children enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) require supervision in accordance with their special needs regardless of age.

i. In all situations, interpretation of this Policy should be made in favor of the child's safety and well-being.

6. RESPONSIBILITIES:

a. Military and DoD sponsors are responsible at all times for the supervision, health, safety, and welfare of their Family members and guests on the Installation. Failure to provide for adequate and reasonable care of minor children may result in adverse consequences for the sponsor. These consequences may include though are not limited to criminal prosecution, civil liability, and/or termination of housing privileges on the Installation.

b. This Policy Memorandum does not purport to limit or define the wide variety of circumstances that Families experience.

c. Child and Youth Services (CYS) maintains a list of registered babysitters who are 12 years old and older who have completed a babysitting course.

d. Information on the babysitting course is available through CYS.

e. Every member of the Carlisle Barracks community is responsible for maintaining the highest possible safety standards along with good order and discipline. Every person should report information regarding known or suspected child abuse or child neglect to the DES Desk, at (717)245-3465 and the Pennsylvania State Child Abuse Hotline, at (800) 932-0313.

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