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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

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POLICY MEMORANDUM # 8

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SUBJECT: Suicide Prevention

1. Suicide is a tragic event causing a rise in concern within the Army Leadership. Leaders at all levels must remain sensitive to the needs of Soldiers, Family members and civilian employees, sensitize their subordinates and initiate preventive measures to avoid loss of lives within the Army Family. Leaders should create a trusting environment where Soldiers and civilian employees will feel that it is okay to ask leaders for help.
2. Take threats seriously and trust your instincts. If a person is exhibiting or articulating any suicidal ideations, do not leave them alone and seek professional assistance. If the individual is an active duty Soldier and an incident occurs during duty hours, transport the Soldier to Community Mental Health or William Beaumont Army Medical Center (WBAMC). For civilian employees, contact the Employee Assistance Program Coordinator or take them to the WBAMC E.R.
3. Suicide Prevention is a command program. Leaders will conduct training on Suicide Prevention and Awareness on an annual basis.

  
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