§ 105.13 Case management for Unrestricted Reports of sexual assault.

(a) General. (1) The installation commander or the deputy installation commander shall chair the CMG on a monthly basis to review individual cases, facilitate monthly victim updates, and direct system coordination, accountability, entry of disposition and victim access to quality services. This responsibility may not be delegated. If there are no cases in a given month, the CMG will still meet to ensure training, processes, and procedures are complete for the system coordination.

(2) The installation SARC shall serve as the co-chair of the CMG. This responsibility may not be delegated. Only a SARC who is a Service member or DoD civilian employee may co-chair the multi-disciplinary CMG.

§ 105.13 (A) If the victim does not change to Unrestricted Reporting, the SARC will explain to the victim that the SAFE Kit, DD Form 2911, and the DD Form 2910 will be retained for a total of 5 years from the time the victim signed the DD Form 2910 (electing the Restricted Report) and will then be destroyed. (However, at the request of a member of the Armed Forces who files a Restricted Report on an incident of sexual assault, the Department of Defense Forms 2910 and 2911 filed in connection with the Restricted Report be retained for 50 years.) The SARC will emphasize to the victim that his or her privacy will be respected and he or she will not be contacted again by the SARC. The SARC will stress it is the victim’s responsibility from that point forward, if the victim wishes to change from a Restricted to an Unrestricted Report, to affirmatively contact a SARC before the 5-year retention period elapses.

(B) The victim will be advised again to keep a copy of the DD Form 2910 and the DD Form 2911 in his or her personal permanent records as these forms may be used by the victim in other matters with other agencies (e.g., Department of Veterans Affairs) or for any other lawful purpose.

(C) If the victim needs another copy of either of these forms, he or she can request it at this point and the SARC shall assist the victim in accessing the requested copies within 7 business days. The SARC will document this request in the DD Form 2910.

(ii) At least 30 days before the expiration of the 5-year storage period, the DoD law enforcement or MCIO shall notify the installation SARC that the storage period is about to expire and confirm with the SARC that the victim has not made a request to change to Unrestricted Reporting or made a request for any personal effects.

(A) If there has been no change, then at the expiration of the storage period in compliance with established procedures for the destruction of evidence, the designated activity, generally the DoD law enforcement agency or MCIO, may destroy the evidence maintained under that victim’s RRCN.

(B) If, before the expiration of the 5-year storage period, a victim changes his or her reporting preference to the Unrestricted Reporting option, the SARC shall notify the respective MCIO, which shall then assume custody of the evidence maintained by the RRCN from the DoD law enforcement agency or MCIO, pursuant to established chain of custody procedures. MCIO established procedures for documenting, maintaining, and storing the evidence shall thereafter be followed.

(1) The DoD law enforcement agency or MCIO, which will receive forensic evidence from the healthcare provider if not already in custody, and label and store such evidence shall be designated.

(2) The designated DoD law enforcement agency or MCIO representative must be trained and capable of collecting and preserving evidence in Restricted Reports prior to assuming custody of the evidence using established chain of custody procedures.

(iii) Evidence will be stored by the DoD law enforcement agency or MCIO until the 5-year storage period for Restricted Reporting is reached or a victim changes to Unrestricted Reporting.
victim’s healthcare provider or mental health and counseling services provider; chaplain, legal representative, or SJA; installation personnel trained to do a safety assessment of current sexual assault victims; victim’s VWAP representative (or civilian victim witness liaison, if available). MCIO, DoD law enforcement and the legal representative or SJA shall provide case dispositions. The CMG chair will ensure that the appropriate principal is available.

(4) If the installation is a joint base or if the installation has tenant commands, the commander of the tenant organization and the designated Lead SARC shall be invited to the CMG meetings. The commander of the tenant organization shall provide appropriate information to the host commander, to enable the host commander to provide the necessary supporting services.

(5) CMG members shall receive the mandatory SAPR training pursuant to §105.14 of this part.

(6) Service Secretaries shall issue guidance to ensure that equivalent standards are met for case oversight by CMGs in situations where SARCs are not installation-based but instead work within operational and/or deployable organizations.

(b) Procedures.

(1) The CMG members shall carefully consider and implement immediate, short-term, and long-term measures to help facilitate and assure the victim’s well-being and recovery from the sexual assault. They will closely monitor the victim’s progress and recovery and strive to protect the victim’s privacy, ensuring only those with an official need to know have the victim’s name and related details. Consequently, where possible, each case shall be reviewed independently bringing in only those personnel associated with the case, as well as the CMG chair and co-chair.

(2) The CMG chair shall:

(i) Ensure that commander(s) of the Service member(s) who is a subject of a sexual assault allegation, provide in writing all disposition data, to include any administrative or judicial action taken, stemming from the sexual assault investigation to the MCIO. Information provided by commanders is used to meet the Department’s requirements for the submission of criminal history data to the Criminal Justice Information System, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and to record the disposition of offenders into DSAID.

(ii) Require that case dispositions are communicated to the sexual assault victim within 2 business days of the final disposition decision. The CMG chair will require that the appropriate paperwork (pursuant to Service regulation) is submitted for each case disposition within 24 hours, which shall be inputted into DSAID or a DSAID Service interface system by the designated officials.

(iii) Monitor and require immediate transfer of sexual assault victim information between SARCs and SAPR VAs, in the event of the SARC’s or SAPR VA’s change of duty station, to ensure continuity of SAPR services for victims.

(iv) Require that the SARCs and SAPR VAs actively participate in each CMG meeting by presenting oral updates (without disclosing protected communications and victim confidentiality), providing recommendations and, if needed, the SARC or the SAPR VA shall affirmatively seek assistance from the chair or victim’s commander.

(v) Require an update of the status of each expedited transfer request and MPO.

(vi) If the victim has informed the SARC of an existing CPO, the chair shall require the SARC to inform the CMG of the existence of the CPO and its requirements.

(vii) After protective order documentation is presented at the CMG from the SARC or the SAPR VA, the DoD law enforcement agents at the CMG will document the information provided in their investigative case file, to include documentation for Reserve Component personnel in title 10 status.

(3) The CMG Co-chair shall:

(i) Confirm that all reported sexual assaults are entered into DSAID or a DSAID Service interface system within 48 hours of the report of sexual assault. In deployed locations that have internet connectivity issues, the time frame is extended to 96 hours.
(ii) Confirm that only the SARC is inputting information into DSAID or a DSAID Service interface system.

(iii) Keep minutes of the monthly meetings to include those in attendance and issues discussed. CMG participants are only authorized to share case information with those who have an official need to know.

(4) For each victim, the assigned SARC and SAPR VA will confirm at the CMG that the victim has been informed of their SAPR services to include counseling, medical, and legal resources without violating victim confidentiality.

(5) For each victim, each CMG member who is involved with and working on a specific case will provide an oral update without violating victim confidentiality or disclosing privileged communications.

(6) For each victim, the victim's commander will confirm at the CMG that the victim has received a monthly update from the victim's commander of her/his case within 72 hours of the last CMG, to assure timely victim updates. This responsibility may not be delegated.

(7) On a joint base or if the installation has tenant commands:

(i) The CMG membership will explore the feasibility of joint use of existing SAPR resources, to include rotating on-call status of SARCs and SAPR VAs. Evaluate the effectiveness of communication among SARCs, SAPR VAs, and first responders.

(ii) The CMG chair will request an analysis of data to determine trends and patterns of sexual assaults and share this information with the commanders on the joint base or the tenant commands. The CMG membership will be briefed on that trend data.

(8) There will be a safety assessment capability. The CMG chair will identify installation personnel who have been trained and are able to perform a safety assessment of each sexual assault victim.

(i) The CMG chair will require designated installation personnel, who have been trained and are able to perform a safety assessment of each sexual assault victim, to become part of the CMG and attend every monthly meeting.

(ii) The CMG chair will request a safety assessment by trained personnel of each sexual assault victim at each CMG meeting, to include a discussion of expedited military transfers or MPOs, if needed.

(iii) The CMG co-chair will confirm that the victims are advised that MPOs are not enforceable off-base by civilian law enforcement.

(iv) If applicable, the CMG chair will confirm that both the suspect and the victim have a hard copy of the MPO.

(v) Form a High-Risk Response Team if a victim is assessed to be in a high-risk situation. The CMG chair will immediately stand up a multi-disciplinary High-Risk Response Team to continually monitor the victim's safety, by assessing danger and developing a plan to manage the situation.

(A) The High-Risk Response Team shall be chaired by the victim's commander and, at a minimum, include the victim's commander; the victim's SARC and SAPR VA; the MCIO, the judge advocate, and the VWAP assigned to the case, victim's healthcare provider or mental health and counseling services provider; and the personnel who conducted the safety assessment.

(B) The High-Risk Response Team shall make their first report to the installation commander, CMG chair, and CMG co-chair within 24 hours of being activated. A briefing schedule for the CMG chair and co-chair will be determined, but briefings shall occur at least once a week while the victim is on high-risk status.

(C) The High-Risk Response Team assessment of the victim shall include, but is not limited to evaluating:

(I) Victim’s safety concerns.

(2) Suspect’s access to the victim or whether the suspect is stalking or has stalked the victim.

(3) Previous or existing relationship or friendship between the victim and the suspect, or the suspect and the victim’s spouse, or victim’s dependents. The existence of children in common. The sharing (or prior sharing) of a common domicile.

(4) Whether the suspect (or the suspect’s friends or family members) has
destroyed victim’s property; threatened or attacked the victim; or threatened, attempted, or has a plan to harm or kill the victim or the victim’s family members; or intimidated the victim to withdraw participation in the investigation or prosecution.

(5) Whether the suspect has threatened, attempted, or has a plan to commit suicide.

(6) Whether the suspect has used a weapon, threatened to use a weapon, or has access to a weapon that may be used against the victim.

(7) Whether the victim has sustained serious injury during the sexual assault incident.

(8) Whether the suspect has a history of law enforcement involvement regarding domestic abuse, assault, or other criminal behavior.

(9) Whether the victim has a civilian protective order or command has an MPO against the suspect, or there has been a violation of a civilian protective order or MPO by the suspect.

(10) History of drug or alcohol abuse by either the victim or the suspect.

(II) Whether the suspect exhibits erratic or obsessive behavior, rage, agitation, or instability.

(12) Whether the suspect is a flight risk.

§ 105.14 Training requirements for DoD personnel.

(a) Management of training requirements. (1) Commanders, supervisors, and managers at all levels shall be responsible for the effective implementation of the SAPR program.

(2) Military and DoD civilian officials at each management level shall advocate a robust SAPR program and provide education and training that shall enable them to prevent and appropriately respond to incidents of sexual assault.

(3) Data shall be collected according to the annual reporting requirements in accordance with Public Law 111–383 and explained in §105.16 of this part.

(b) General training requirements. (1) The Secretaries of the Military Departments and the Chief, NGB, shall direct the execution of the training requirements in this section to individually address SAPR prevention and response in accordance with §105.5 of this part.

These SAPR training requirements shall apply to all Service members and DoD civilian personnel who supervise Service members.

(i) The Secretaries and the Chief, NGB, shall develop dedicated SAPR training to ensure comprehensive knowledge of the training requirements.

(ii) The SAPR training, at a minimum, shall incorporate adult learning theory, which includes interaction and group participation.

(iii) Upon request, the Secretaries and the Chief, NGB, shall submit a copy of SAPR training programs or SAPR training elements to USD(P&R) through SAPRO for evaluation of consistency and compliance with DoD SAPR training standards in this part. The Military Departments will correct USD(P&R) identified DoD SAPR policy and training standards discrepancies.

(2) Commanders and managers responsible for training shall require that all personnel (i.e., all Service members, DoD civilian personnel who supervise Service members, and other personnel as directed by the USD(P&R)) are trained and that completion of training data is annotated. Commanders for accession training will ensure all new accessions are trained and that completion of training data is annotated.

(3) If responsible for facilitating the training of civilians supervising Service members, the unit commander or civilian director shall require all SAPR training requirements in this section are met. The unit commander or civilian equivalent shall be accountable for requiring data collection regarding the training.

(4) The required subject matter for the training shall be appropriate to the Service member’s grade and commensurate with their level of responsibility, to include:

(i) Defining what constitutes sexual assault. Utilizing the term “sexual assault” as defined in 32 CFR part 103.

(ii) Explaining why sexual assaults are crimes.

(iii) Defining the meaning of “consent” as defined in 32 CFR part 103.

(iv) Explaining offender accountability and UCMJ violations.