

Guarding the Eastern Front

Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP)

The Army Substance Abuse Program is a command program whose primary mission is to strengthen the overall fitness and effectiveness of the Army's workforce, to conserve manpower and enhance the combat readiness of Soldiers. The ASAP is responsible for providing guidance, leadership, education and training on all alcohol and drug policy issues. The ASAP also oversees the Military, Drug Free Workplace and Department of Transportation biochemical (drug) testing programs.

Objectives:

- Increase individual fitness and overall unit readiness.
- Provide services which are proactive and responsive to the needs of the Army's workforce and emphasize alcohol and other drug abuse deterrence, prevention, education, and rehabilitation.
- Implement alcohol and other drug risk reduction and prevention strategies that respond to potential problems before they jeopardize readiness, productivity, and careers.
- Restore to duty those substance-impaired Soldiers who have the potential for continued military Service.
- Provide effective alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and education at all levels of command, and encourage commanders to provide alcohol and drug-free leisure activities.
- Ensure all personnel assigned to ASAP staff are appropriately trained and experienced to accomplish their missions.
- Achieve maximum productivity and reduce absenteeism and attrition among civilian corps members by reducing the effects of the abuse of alcohol and other drugs.
- Improve readiness by extending services to the Soldiers, civilian corps members, and Family members.