

# Embedded Preventive Behavioral Health Capability (EPBHC)



## Prevention Specialists and Analysts provide:

HFC/FPCs support

Data surveillance

Evidence-Based prevention strategies

FPC Mentor Training and Coaching

UMAPIT annual training courses: Train the Trainer

Coordinate prevention trainings and events

Safety Stand Down planning

Leadership and education/ prevention courses pertaining to Force Preservation

**Contact Information** 

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#### The End-State

Force Preservation strategies that are preventive in nature and deliberately develops and strengthens personal and professional character, decision-making supportive of Marine Corps values and mental resiliency ensuring greater sustainability, employability and deployability



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EPBHC (pronounced "epic") personnel are Special Staff Officers to the MEF Commanding General, the Commanding Generals of Major Subordinate Commands (MSC), and regimental/group commanders. Staff structure includes a Prevention Director, Prevention Analysts embedded within 2d MLG, 2d MARDIV and 2d MAW, and Prevention Specialists within the regimental/group commands. EPBHC provide Commanders a macro perspective achieved through collaborative and improved communications, integration of prevention activities, and streamlined analyses and information.

EPBHC applies public health community based approaches to address the complexity and interplay of risk and protective factors through the continuum of prevention. EPBHC works closely with commanders and the command to *systematically* determine need, rapidly identify emerging trends, and develop courses of action to enhance resiliency and mitigate risk factors that possess the potential to degrade the wellness of Marines/Sailors, their families, and ultimately, the readiness of the Marine Corps.

#### **How do EPBHC personnel support II MEF?**

#### **Command Support**

EPBHC serves as a SME to the command on behavioral health issues and trends. Specifically: Conducts data surveillance of data, identifies trends, and provides best practice guidance; writes policies; and, develops programs.

#### Collaboration

EPBHC collaborates with uniformed collateral duty staff, Chaplains, MFLCs, FROs, MCCS and BH programs to identify Command level trends and promote effective best practices throughout.

#### Liaison

EPBHC acts as the liaison between their assigned unit, II MEF, and HQMC regarding policies, practices, and resources related to the health and well-being of their Marines and Sailors.

### **Leadership Support**

The EPBHC provides subject matter expertise on the strategic application of behavioral health prevention resources to regimental and group commanders. EPBHC assets develop and assist in the implementation of strategic prevention plans, liaise, coordinate and collaborate with embedded and installation resources, and inform future prevention efforts designed to support operational excellence, maintenance of Marines Corps standards, resilience, holistic fitness and mission readiness.







#### **EPBHC are NOT:**

Counselors or Case mangers

Do not focus on individuals

**Do not** implement against command requests