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Domestic Violence GMT App available for mobile devices

PENSACOLA, Fla. — A new application for mobile devices to complete required Navy General Military Training (GMT) on Domestic Violence awareness is available as of Sept. 11.

Designed to provide Sailors with anytime, anywhere access to both training and resources about Domestic Violence (DV), the app is designed to be an additional GMT tool.

“As mobile device technology is integrated into the military, we want to provide Sailors with information and training at their fingertips, as they are used to with their smartphones and tablets,” said Rear Adm. Mike White, commander of Naval Education and Training Command. “The app will allow leaders to quickly help Sailors who could potentially be in a crisis.”

Targeted primarily for active duty and Reserve service members requiring DV training, the app can also be used by civil service employees who manage military members, as well as a tool for Navy family members.

Emergency contact information is also included in the app, including contact numbers for national suicide, sexual assault and domestic violence prevention agencies, including the American Red Cross. Website links are also available for the Military Crisis Line, domestic violence, national suicide, and Safe Helplines.

“The idea of having an ‘all-in-one’ app is brilliant,” said Lt. j.g. Robbie Luers, human resource officer at NETC. “If I’m in a crisis situation, I’m probably not going to be thinking clearly, but the app is designed to provide me with the information I need, anytime or anywhere.”

Users can download the DV app from several app stores at no cost, go through the training with the instructions provided. Service members can provide the app their Department of Defense identification number from their CAC card and the app will then send a completion certificate to the Sailor’s Electronic Training Jacket (ETJ). The user will then be able to e-mail the certificate to their supervisor as verification of completion. Completions should be visible in the ETJ after two working days.

“Apps for GMT are a natural extension of the apps the Navy has been working on for several years, starting with the eDivision Officer app,” said Bill Marvel, NETC GMT program manager. “As we prepare for Domestic Violence Awareness month in October, the app’s release will showcase the importance of having proper training and resources at everyone’s fingertips.”

The U.S. Navy Sea Warrior Program (PMW 240) produced the app and Tracen Technologies Inc., a company that specializes in integrated mobile and web solutions, was the software developer.

To find the free Navy DV app, search “Domestic Violence Prevention” in app stores or in your Web browser.

For more information on the Naval Education and Training Command, visit the NETC website: <https://www.netc.navy.mil>.

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