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ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Institute for Religious Leadership
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MEMORANDUM FOR See Distribution

SUBJECT: FY23 Pastoral Skills Intensive Course (PSIC)

1. Reference. AR 165-1, Army Chaplain Corps Activities, 23 June 2015
2. The PSIC is offered to all Army component chaplains.
3. Purpose. The PSIC (formally known as FLC Introductory Course) focuses on further equipping chaplains to provide pastoral counseling to the Army Community to develop healthy relationships and the ability to thrive under the pressures of military life. Chaplains will be trained in several evidence-based, faith-informed theories and practices of pastoral counseling. PSIC meets the 100 hour Pastoral Skills Training (PST) requirement for Chaplain Professional Reinforcement Training (CPRT), and also builds a broad base of interest among prospective future Family Life Chaplains (FLCs).
4. Training topics include basic counseling skills, Pastoral Solution Focused Brief Therapy, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Family Systems theory and practice, infidelity recovery counseling, trauma treatment, assessment and intervention, ethical issues and theological integration. Training will also include observation of a treatment team with live cases and active role-play skill development.
5. Attendees. Chaplains from all COMPOs (Active, Guard, and Reserve) are considered for attendance.
 - a. Classes are limited in size.
 - b. COMPO 2 & 3 Chaplains are the first priority for enrollment in the course. This course is not available for Chaplain Candidates.
6. Execution.
 - a. Family Life Chaplain Training Centers (FLCTCs) located at Fort Bragg, NC and Ft. Hood, TX will provide the didactic and clinical experience for the PSIC.
 - b. Training location and dates are as follows. Dates include two travel days.

(1) Fort Hood, TX	14-27 May 23
(2) Fort Bragg, NC	10-23 Sep 23
 - c. Funding. All travel, lodging and per diem are funded by your local command.

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d. Complete the attached application form and submit to john.p.manuel.mil@army.mil. Compo II & III should submit application to their COMPO HQ (see POCs below) to ensure all mandatory PME is completed before enrollment in this course. Before submitting an application, ensure that all signatures are obtained on the attached application form. Failure to do so will result in the application NOT being processed. Once approved, AD chaplains will be enrolled in ATRRS through the Institute for Religious Leadership (IRL) Graduate School. COMPO II applicants will coordinate with their unit in order to input their ATRRS application through their respective state, territory, or district. COMPO III managers will enroll chaplains in ATRRS for this course. An approval memorandum with additional instructions will be provided from the applicable training center one month out from event.

e. A formal After Action Review (AAR) will be conducted at the completion of each training event to determine the effectiveness of the training and to shape future courses.

7. Points of contact:

a. The Fort Bragg Family Life Chaplain Training Center POC is CH (LTC) Gregory Cheney. Phone: 910-396-6564. Email: gregory.j.cheney.mil@army.mil

b. The Fort Hood Family Life Chaplain Training Center POC is CH (LTC) James Covey. Phone: 254-553-9135. Email: james.p.covey.mil@army.mil

c. The Fort Jackson Director for School of Spiritual Counseling POC is CH (COL) John Manuel. Phone 803-751-9017. Email: john.p.manuel.mil@army.mil.

d. COMPO 2/ARNG HQ POC is CH (MAJ) David Evans. Phone: 202-713-8517. Email: david.a.evans162.mil@army.mil.

e. COMPO 3/USAR HQ POC is MSG Eric Schenck. Phone: 910-570-8065. Email: usarmy.usarc.usarc-hq.mbx.cmd-ch-directorate@army.mil



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