

What is discussed at the IDC?

- The IDC only discusses information pertinent to the incident being presented and its effect on the victim.
- Limited victim history may be discussed to determine credibility.

What happens after the IDC?

Once the IDC makes the determination, a letter with the results is signed by the IDC chairperson and given to the command representative. The command representative is responsible for providing the determination letter to the sponsor. Incidents that meet criteria will be reviewed at the CCSM to address risk management and treatment recommendations.

What happens at the CCSM?

By design, the composition of the CCSM is different from the IDC. Attendance at the CCSM is limited to those with clinical expertise in child abuse and domestic abuse. As a partner with FAP, the command can expect to be notified of treatment recommendations and treatment progress that are discussed at the CCSM. Due to the sensitive nature of the information discussed, command representatives must adhere to the rules of confidentiality when information is provided to them by the CCSM.

Prevention Tips

Commanding officers can help prevent domestic abuse by:

- Creating a command climate that encourages healthy relationships and does not tolerate domestic abuse.
- Being aware of warning signs such as decreased work performance, changes in behavior or appearance, or unexplained injuries.
- Taking victims seriously and ensuring they get support and assistance.

Resources

Fleet and Family Support Center
www.ffsp.navy.mil

Incident Determination Committee (IDC) On-Demand Training

<https://ffsp.zeiders.refineddata.com>
[Log-in required. Go to "Self-Paced," then to "On-Demand eLearning Courses," then "Incident Determination Committee."]

Military OneSource
www.militaryonesource.com
or 1-800-342-9647

National Domestic Violence Hotline
www.thehotline.org or 1-800-799-SAFE

Contact

For further information, contact your local Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) and ask to speak to the Family Advocacy representative.

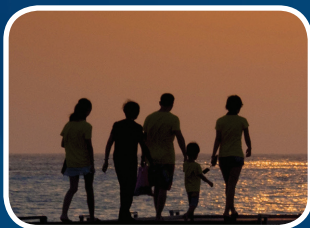


Incident Determination Committee and Clinical Case Staff Meeting

What Commanding Officers Need to Know

Commanding officers are essential in ensuring victim safety and offender accountability. This pamphlet explains your role with the Family Advocacy Program (FAP) and what you need to know about the new FAP procedures.





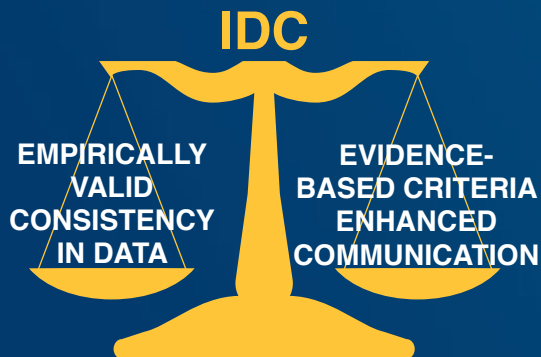
The Incident Determination Committee (IDC) is an administrative process that decides whether an allegation

of abuse “meets” or “does not meet” criteria for entry into the Navy FAP Central Registry. Every reported incident of domestic/intimate partner abuse and child abuse reported to FAP that meets the criteria for reasonable suspicion is presented to the IDC. The IDC uses an automated algorithm/Decision Tree to make determinations as to whether the referred cases for suspected child abuse or domestic/intimate partner abuse meet established DoD maltreatment criteria/definitions. As the sponsor’s commanding officer, you play a key role in the IDC process.

What can you expect after a reported incident?

Intervention with victims and families begins the moment FAP receives a report. FAP provides:

- Safety planning and supportive services.
- Continued communication with the command.
- Clinical treatment for the victim and the abuser.



What can you expect from IDC/CCSM?

With the IDC/CCSM model, you can expect:

- Greater consistency in case decision-making.
- Increased validity regarding the IDC’s function and its authority.
- Enhanced communication and command involvement in decisions regarding domestic abuse and child abuse and neglect.

How does the IDC/CCSM work?

The Incident Determination Committee/Clinical Case Staff Meeting model divides the administrative and clinical functions into two separate meetings.

1. The IDC serves as the administrative committee. This committee, using the Decision Tree tool, determines whether the incident met criteria to go into the FAP Central Registry.
2. The CCSM provides oversight for the clinical functions, including:
 - Intervention plans.
 - Case management.
 - Case closures/transfers.

What is the Decision Tree?

The Decision Tree tool contains eight maltreatment types and guides the committee through a step-by-step process for discussion and voting on the incident. A decision whether the incident met criteria or did not meet criteria will then be entered into the Navy Central Registry.



What is my role as CO at the IDC?



Command participation is vital to the IDC. Commanding officers are voting members and often have pertinent information about the incident that is critical to the determination. Commanding officers

ensure that the service member is adequately represented and that the victim’s safety is fully protected.

If you are unable to attend, an alternate can be designated to serve in your absence. The preferred designee is the command master chief (CMC).