

Army Realigns Resilience Directorate to G-9

What is it?

The U.S. Army announced the realignment of the Army Resilience Directorate from G-1, personnel readiness, to the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, in G-9. This move was made to formalize a new prevention governance structure to enable a community approach to prevention that lowers the risk of harmful behaviors and creates environments that are not conducive to them. As part of the realignment, ARD consolidated with the G-9 Soldier and Family Readiness Directorate (SFRD).

Why is it happening?

The realignment, which began June 1, was completed June 30 when the consolidated directorate reached full operational capability. Effective July 1, the consolidated directorate was renamed the Directorate of Prevention, Resilience and Readiness and is led by Ms. Dee Geise, former director of SFRD.

Why is it important?

Aligning the prevention mission from G-1 to G-9 enables the Army to deliver better, more synchronized prevention resources and capabilities to Soldiers and their Families. Instead of concentrating primarily on intervention and response, the governance structure will shift to a primary prevention emphasis that also maintains the capabilities necessary to intervene and respond to crisis. This change will expand the focus beyond an individual scope to a collective one that spans military communities and organizations, resulting in fewer Soldiers who are at risk of engaging in risky behavior.

How will it affect the Army community?

This realignment will put people first as the Army reduces harmful behaviors. These changes will:

- Better support commanders' efforts to combat and discourage detrimental conduct.
- Enhance readiness.
- Improve Army culture through integrated prevention activities.

As a result of the realignment:

- G-9 is the Army prevention lead.
- TRADOC is the prevention force modernization proponent.
- G-3/5/7 is the prevention integrator.

How is it different from what exists?

The governance structure, along with a dedicated integrated primary prevention workforce, will provide commanders with the requisite tools and resources to carry out prevention activities that support the needs of Soldiers, Army Civilians and Families. The new directorate allows for unity of efforts and gives commanders and leaders more control over prevention resources, increasing their effectiveness in implementing primary prevention action plans. Further, Soldiers will have more and better access to prevention resources, trainings, programs and services.



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