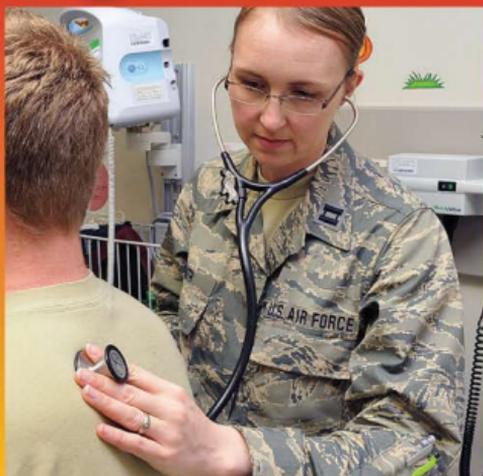




South Dakota
NATIONAL GUARD

TAG Priority Card



THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S PRIORITIES

- **Taking excellent care of our Soldiers, Airmen and families is the top priority**
Our Soldiers and Airmen are our most precious resource. Without our families' support, we cannot fulfill our duties. **Our members must know it is a sign of strength, not weakness, to ask for help with personal struggles.**
- **Readiness**
Always ready, always there to support our state and federal missions.
- **Safety**
No training event could possibly justify the loss of a Soldier or Airman.
- **Ensure the SDNG Remains Relevant**
Secure future, cutting-edge missions for both Army and Air so we stay relevant for decades to come. Update our facilities and training areas.
- **Embrace Diversity and Practice Inclusion**
Increase numbers of women and minorities, and make certain that all of our members are able to achieve the highest positions of leadership. Continually practice leadership that is inclusive of others.
- **Enhance Communications**
Use social media to maximize information flow to our members and public.
- **Capitalize on opportunities that bring our Army & Air Guard members closer**
Enhance the Joint Staff, conduct joint strategic planning and identify training opportunities that involve both Air and Army.
- **State Partnership Program**
Foster mutually beneficial relationships and exchanges with Suriname.
- **Developing Leaders**
Continually teach, coach and mentor our Soldiers and Airmen. Always remember, tell others about the potential you see in them.



WELLNESS & FAMILY RESOURCES

SERVICE MEMBER & FAMILY SUPPORT (SMFS)

Family Assistance	800-658-3930
Family Readiness	605-357-2970
Child & Youth	605-737-6919
SMFS Director	605-737-6728
Yellow Ribbon Program	605-737-6947

AIRMAN AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

605-988-5962

TRICARE

877-988-9378 / tricare.mil

RED CROSS

800-733-2767 / www.redcross.org
605-336-2448 (South Dakota)

SDNG PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH PROGRAM

Air National Guard 605-988-5539
Army National Guard 605-786-2922

EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD AND
RESERVE (ESGR) 605-737-6540 / www.esgr.mil

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM (ESP)
605-737-6011 / www.ebenefits.va.gov

TRANSITION ASSISTANCE/VETERANS INFO
605-737-6669 / 800-827-1000

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES
605-737-6090



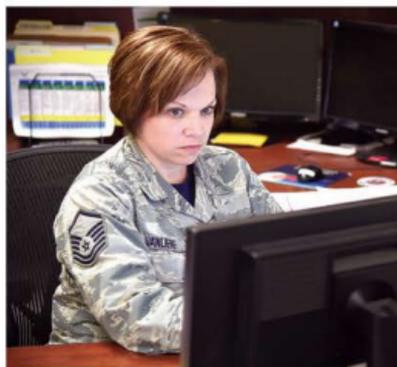
MILITARY ONESOURCE

800-342-9647
www.militaryonesource.mil

FULL-TIME CHAPLAIN

605-431-5182 (cell)
(24-hour / confidential)

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OFFICE &
SEXUAL HARASSMENT ASSISTANCE
605-737-6635



SUICIDE PREVENTION

Have the courage to seek help. Because even one suicide is too many.

WARNING SIGNS

- Failed Relationships
- Suicide Threats
- Alcohol and Drug Abuse
- Sudden Changes in Behavior
- Making Final Arrangements
- Feelings of Humiliation
- Legal/Financial/Occupational Problems
- Previous Suicide Attempts
- Statements Revealing a Desire to Die
- Prolonged Depression
- Giving Away Prized Possessions
- Purchasing a Gun or Stockpiling Pills

ACE

Ask your buddy:

- Have the courage to ask the question directly:
Are you thinking of killing yourself?

Care for your buddy:

- Remove any means that could be used for self-injury. Calmly control the situation.

Escort your buddy:

- Never leave your buddy alone.
- Escort to the chain of command, a chaplain, a behavioral health professional or a primary care provider.



EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Police/Ambulance	911
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline	800-273-TALK (8255)
National Suicide Hotline	800-SUICIDE (784-2433)
SDNG Psychological Health Coordinator	605-786-2922
SDNG Chaplain	605-431-5182
Family Assistance Center	800-658-3930

SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION

SEXUAL ASSAULT POLICY

- Sexual Assault (SA) is a criminal offense that has no place in the military.
- SA is punishable under the UCMJ and other federal and local civilian laws.
- SA degrades mission readiness and unit cohesion, devastates trust within the unit and organization and impacts combat effectiveness.
- Don't remain silent; preventing sexual assault is everyone's duty.

SEXUAL ASSAULT RESOURCES

Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)

The SARC assists commanders on the prevention and training requirements of the program and provides services to survivors.

Unit Victim Advocate (UVA)

An advocate can provide non-clinical crisis intervention, referrals, information and ongoing support to survivors.



HELPFUL RESOURCES

**DOD SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION
AND RESPONSE** myduty.mil

SDNG SARC HELPLINE
877-660-6711

114TH FW SARC HELPLINE
605-212-8481

DOD SAFE HELPLINE
877-995-5247 (confidential)
www.safehelpline.org

REPORT A SEXUAL ASSAULT

IMMEDIATELY

- Go to a safe place.
- Immediately call police, report assault to available resources (SARC/UVA/police/healthcare professional).
- Do not destroy evidence (cleaning up, showering, changing clothes).

SDNG STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

MISSION: The South Dakota National Guard provides ready forces to support global and domestic requirements under the direction of civil authority.

VISION: The most professional, competent and reliable state National Guard organization in the United States of America.

VALUES: The SDNG's primary values are loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, personal courage and excellence in all we do.

LOE 1: Provide Excellent Care for Service Members and Families

- Objective 1: Develop and Maintain a Fit Force
- Objective 2: Develop and Maintain a Skilled-Resilient Force
- Objective 3: Develop and Maintain a Professional Force
- Objective 4: Develop and Maintain a High Level of Family Readiness

LOE 2 : Maximize Readiness and Relevancy

- Objective 1: Ensure Personnel Readiness
- Objective 2: Ensure Training Readiness
- Objective 3: Ensure Equipment Readiness
- Objective 4: Ensure Relevancy

LOE 3: Develop Exceptional Leaders and Manage Effective Careers

- Objective 1: Manage Effective Careers
- Objective 2: Develop Exceptional Leaders
- Objective 3: Ensure a Culture of Excellence – Innovation, Organizational Development and Continuous Process Improvement

LOE 4: Increase Diversity and Inclusion

- Objective 1: Increase Diversity
- Objective 2: Ensure Inclusion



COMMAND THEMES & MESSAGES

TAG TOP-LINE MESSAGES

- The SDNG's foremost responsibility is to deliver ready, trained and equipped forces to meet the operational demands put before it and possess the capabilities to be prepared to fight across multiple domains.
- In times of war, the SDNG provides forces that fight and win as part of the Joint Force. In times of state emergencies or national crises, SDNG forces provide response and recovery assistance to federal, state and local governments at home and abroad.
- The National Guard provides trained and ready forces as the primary combat reserve of the Army and the Air Force.
- The SDNG is dedicated to leveraging the strength of its diverse force and understands that diversity makes our Army and Air Force stronger.
- Since 9/11, the SDNG has deployed more than 8,000 Soldiers and Airmen to locations throughout Europe, Iraq, Afghanistan and other countries across the Middle East.
- Located in 22 communities across the state, we provide overwhelming capability and capacity to the governor before and after disasters strike.
- Civil authorities understand the unique capabilities of the SDNG when local and state assets are overwhelmed in a catastrophic incident or natural disaster; interagency training events provide opportunities to improve these relationships.
- Strengthening forces by embracing local, state, federal and global partnerships. Our State Partnership Program builds relationships, assures partners and deters foes.



SDNG HISTORY & FACTS

HISTORY

- The South Dakota National Guard originated in 1862 as part of the Dakota Territory Militia.
- Following statehood, formally became the South Dakota National Guard in 1889.
- South Dakota Air National Guard established in 1946 after World War II.
- Service in combat for Spanish-American War, Philippine Insurrection, World War I, World War II, Operation Desert Shield/Storm, Operations Enduring Freedom/Freedom's Sentinel and Operations Iraqi Freedom/New Dawn/Spartan Shield and Inherent Resolve.
- Called into federal service for Mexican Border Conflict, Korean War, Berlin Crisis, Bosnia and Kosovo Peacekeeping Operations, Operation Noble Eagle.



QUICK FACTS

- The SDNG is one of the largest employers in the state, with more than 1,000 full-time employees – includes AGR, technician and state employees.
- There are more than 3,100 traditional Army Guard members and over 1,000 Air Guard members in the organization.
- The SDNG is located in 22 communities throughout the state.
- Many Soldiers and Airmen train part-time while pursuing a career or civilian education.
- The SDNG had a statewide economic impact of more than \$171.7 million during Fiscal Year 2016 – includes wages, and funds contributed to facilities for operations, maintenance and repair.

