



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON WIESBADEN
UNIT 29623
APO AE 09096-0050

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MEMORANDUM FOR USAG WIESBADEN

SUBJECT: US Army Garrison Wiesbaden Command Policy Letter 34, Importance of Parental Presence, New Parent Support Program

1. Reference: AR 608-18, Family Advocacy Program, 30 October 2007.
2. Purpose:
 - a. To address the importance of the paternal role in home visitations.
 - b. To enhance readiness by supporting Soldiers and their Families, increase military and community resiliency, and strengthen the effective functioning of Soldiers and their Families.
3. Scope: The USAG Wiesbaden recognizes the importance of both parents' role in parenting, and encourages both parents' participation in The New Parent Support home visitation program.
4. Policy:
 - a. It is the policy of the USAG Wiesbaden that all possible efforts will be made to allow both parents to participate in the New Parent Support Program's (NPSP) home visitation process. The presence of both parents is an integral part of the Family structure.
 - b. When recognizing the importance of both parents' role, we are supporting readiness by supporting Soldiers and their Families; increasing healthy parenting skills; and decreasing the risk for child maltreatment and Family violence.
5. Responsibilities:
 - a. The NPSP Home Visitor (HV):
 - (1) Schedule and conduct activities, consistent with mission requirements, in a manner that fosters and enables maximum participation of both parents in the program.
 - (2) Promote the involvement of both parents or intimate partners residing in the home, when applicable, in the intervention process. If both parents are not involved, the record will indicate the reason why both parents are not engaged.

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(3) Provide parents support and practical information and teach appropriate skills for parenting to enhance abilities to nurture and care for infants and small children.

b. Unit commanders support the NPSP by allowing Soldiers to participate in scheduled home visits within mission constraints.

c. Participants inform commanders of scheduled home visits and make an honest effort to be present at each home visit.

6. The POC for this action is the FAPM at DSN 335-5234.



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