

ASAP INPROCESSING BRIEFING

Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP).

ASAP's mission is to strengthen the well-being and effectiveness of Fort Irwin's civilian and military workforce.

ASAP's vision is to provide comprehensive, quality, broad-based and effective educational and prevention programs to enhance the well-being and readiness of the Fort Irwin civilian and military workforce.

The community as a whole is better off with the elimination of substance abuse problems.

ASAP programs are designed to deter the illicit use of substances abuse through the use of the Drug Testing Program and educational programs.

All commanders conduct random drug tests on a weekly or monthly basis.

This approach has reduced the overall drug positive rate.

Marijuana and crystal meth are the most abused illegal drugs on post.

In the last three years, the majority of the Soldiers testing positive have been E-5s and below.

Commanders, 1st Sergeants and Squadron Leaders need to be involved with the young soldiers and keep them involved with healthy recreational activities.

While marijuana and crystal meth are the most abused illegal drugs on post, **alcohol abuse and Driving Under The Influence (DUI) of Alcohol Is a problem.**

DUIs have been a problem for all ranks. Fort Irwin is a **DUI-free zone**, and the goal of the installation is not to have even one DUI.

With the use of the **Designated Driver program**, buddy care and a personal commitment to not drinking and driving, Fort Irwin can be truly a DUI-free zone.

When the use of alcohol or drugs becomes a problem, ASAP has treatment programs.

ASAP clinical staff provides substance abuse assessments and treatment.

Being a self referral is the most beneficial way to seek help, but commanders and supervisors also refer Soldiers for an evaluation.

ASAP also has an Employee Assistance Program Coordinator that provide Civilian Counseling Services for civilian employees and family members.

ASAP has a **Prevention Coordinator** that teaches a monthly three day class called **Army Drug Abuse Prevention Training (ADAPT)/Prime For Life.**

ASAP has an active **Risk Reduction Program** that focuses on high-risk behaviors, many of which are frequently associated with alcohol or drug abuse. High-risk behaviors include spouse and child abuse, safety accidents and injuries, crimes against persons and property, sexually transmitted diseases, traffic offenses, financial problems, and suicide gestures or attempts. All of these behaviors potentially erode combat and mission readiness.

ASAP's main purpose is to eliminate alcohol and/or drugs abuse and is designed to strengthen the overall fitness and effectiveness of the Fort Irwin community and to enhance the combat readiness of its personnel and units.

For any problems with alcohol and/ or drug abuse, please contact ASAP.

We are located in Building 573, on the corner of 3rd Street and South Loop, and our numbers are (760) 380-4153/4035. Our office hours are from 0800-1630, Monday-Friday. We are closed on all federal holidays.