



## Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM)

### DLA HQs J/D Code

Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)  
would like to encourage all DLA employees to get involved in SAAPM 2025.

In keeping with the SAAPM theme “**STEP FORWARD. Prevent. Report. Advocate.**,” the following events are scheduled for your awareness and education:

**1-30 April – SAPR Resource Tables** – Take a moment to stop by the resource tables located the HQC lobby and cafeteria. The tables will be sourced with a wealth of SAPR information available to everyone. The HQs J/D Code SARC will engage with HQC personnel to raise awareness about the issue of sexual assault, answer questions, and provide prevention focused education, such as “how employees can make a positive impact in the workplace by being an active bystander.”

**1-30 April – Spot the Teal Ribbon Challenge** – During the month of April, anyone receiving a DoD Safe Helpline coffee cup sleeve from the HQC cafeteria with an affixed Teal Ribbon can visit the DLA SAPR Program Office, HQC Building, Room 1232 to receive a SAPR gift.

**1-30 April – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Virtual Teal Ribbon Relay** – STEP FORWARD to accept the challenge to participate in the 3rd Annual Virtual Teal Ribbon Relay making a personal commitment to help raise awareness of the issue of sexual assault, support the DLA overarching goal of preventing sexual assault Enterprise-wide, and show support for survivors of sexual violence. DLA members can participate in any location where walking, running, biking, swimming, rowing, rolling, skating, etc., can safely be conducted. Employees wishing to participate can email the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) listed below beginning April 1, 2025.

**Teal Tuesdays (April: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29)** – Did you know every 68 seconds an American is sexually assaulted? During the month of April, all DLA personnel are encouraged to wear teal every Tuesday in observance of SAAPM. Wearing teal also is an opportunity for employees to collectively bring about awareness of the issue of sexual assault, while also showing support for survivors. Wear your teal item proudly!

**April 16 – Lunch and Learn** – Please join us for a virtual awareness and education session featuring the topic of “Male Survivors of Sexual Assault” During this session, we discuss the often-overlooked topic of male victimization. Upon conclusion of the session attendees will have a clear understanding of the complexities of male victimization, prevention strategies, and how to respond in a trauma-informed fashion. For more information, please contact the SARC listed below. The session will be held at 12:00 -1:00 PM EST on MS Teams. Login information will be announced.

**April 19 – DLA's Virtual Chalk-The-Walk** – Any location (driveway, park, playground, sidewalk, etc.) where you are permitted to write chalk messages, let us come together to put our words and emotions about the prevention of sexual assault and support for survivors in the form of art. Send photos to: [sapr@dla.mil](mailto:sapr@dla.mil).

**April 23 – MWR Spring 5K Run – SAPR Resource Table** – The event will take place on the DLA complex, Gate 2 (Shipping/Receiving Building) and will begin at 11a.m. Please stop by the SAPR resources table and gain a little knowledge while picking up a trinket or two. All 5K participants will receive a special prize from the SAPR team for supporting this event.

**April 30 - National Denim Day** - Wear something denim to work to show support for sexual assault survivors. Details on the origin of Denim Day can be found at <http://denimdayinfo.org/>. Participants must receive approval from respective supervisors to take part in this event.

**We look forward to seeing your participation!**  
**Please take pictures of your participation and send them to the SARC listed below.**

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