

Appendix 15: Essential Agreements in a Military-Civilian Coordinated Community Response

Agreements to help manage the work of the CCR:

- Memorandums of Understanding that address:
 - Purpose
 - Goals
 - Roles
 - Responsibilities and actions
 - Jurisdiction
- Strategic plan
- Individual work plans for intervening agencies, military and civilian
- Mechanics of day-to-day operations:
 - Meeting frequency and process
 - Confidentiality
 - Information sharing
 - Coordinator's role and responsibilities

Policies and protocols related to intervention in reported domestic abuse involving active-duty service members or their families:

- Overarching:
 - Danger assessment [See the “Practitioners’ Guide to Risk and Danger in Domestic Violence Cases,” included in *Elements & Tools*, Appendix 9, “Foundations of Effective Intervention”]²
 - Access to advocacy
 - Confidentiality
 - Restricted and unrestricted reporting
 - Information sharing
 - Monitoring implementation of policies and protocols
- 911 emergency calls and dispatch
- Law enforcement patrol response on-scene
- Law enforcement follow-up investigation
- Pretrial release conditions and monitoring
- Prosecution charging, disposition, and trials
- Victim/witness assistance
- Presentence investigation
- Probation conditions and monitoring
- Batterer intervention
- Emergency medical response

² Appendix 9 is an excerpt from the *Blueprint for Safety: An Interagency Response to Domestic Violence Crimes*, Praxis International, Inc., 2009. The *Blueprint for Safety* includes a comprehensive set of recommended policies and protocols developed in the civilian sector. It is available at www.praxisinternational.org.