



Substance Assessment & Counseling Program (SACP) Henderson Hall "Protect What You've Earned" May 2026 Prevention Sense

May kicks off the 101 Days of Summer Fun (Memorial Day to Labor Day)

PREVENTION WITH AN ATTITUDE COME GET THE LOVE YOU NEED

FOR MARINES

Alcohol Abuse Prevention Tip

There's something about Memorial Day that means summer has arrived. Summer means relaxation and fun. It also means you can let your hair down and finally let loose. The problem is, once you start letting loose, you probably keep going. Memorial Day doesn't need to be an excuse to drink. You CAN choose not to drink. If you've lost the power to choose not to pick up a drink, maybe it's time to ask for help. If you're not an alcoholic, it shouldn't hurt to give up drinking for one day.

Drug Abuse Prevention Tip

Co-occurring Disorders. Mental health and substance abuse, to include drug abuse, represent opposite sides of the same coin. One in 12 adults had a substance use disorder and 1 in 5 adults had a mental illness in the past year. About 12% of these adults (7.9 million) experienced both a substance use disorder and a mental health issue, which is known as having a co-occurring health disorder.

Prevention Calendar

Screenings & Assessments: EVERY Tuesday (Contact SACC Mgr).
Aftercare (Call in): EVERY Wednesday, 0645 (Contact SACC Mgr).
Unit SACO Consultation: On Demand (Contact DDRC/SACC Mgr).
Detection Supplies Pickup: As required (Contact the DDRC).
Command/Leadership Brief - As requested.
MBW New Joins Brief - 11 May 2026.
Prime for Life 16.0 Course - 12-13 May 2026.
Monthly SACO Training/Meeting 15 May 2026 at 0930.
Henderson Hall Welcome Aboard Anti-Drug/Alcohol Abuse Prev.
PME: Accessed virtually at the HQ&SBN website

FOR SACOs

Events

National Prevention Week occurs from May 10-16. This is an annual national health observance focused on increasing the prevention of substance use and the promotion of mental health. It is hosted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

The 101 Days of Summer Fun safety campaign is an annual Navy and Marine Corps initiative to increase awareness of potential risks related to off-duty recreational activities, as well as other summertime endeavors. Marines are encouraged to continue "getting out in front" and not let our guard down in our collective prevention efforts such as educating about risk and understanding behaviors that could contribute to summer-related mishaps.

Discrepancy of the Month

Package PB i.e. Package - broken seal.

10 Commandments of EFFECTIVE SACOs - Effective Unit SACOs consistently

- Tests a minimum of 10% monthly
- Test EVERYONE involved in collection once monthly
- NEVER store urine for an extended period
- Log in to IFTDTL once every 30 days minimum
- Contacts SACC HH at least once a week
- Attend/participate in EVERY SACO meeting.

The Only Thing Better than Prevention is MORE PREVENTION

National Prevention Week - May 10-16 2026 increases awareness of, and action around, substance abuse and mental health issues. (<http://www.samhsa.gov/prevention-week>)

World No-Tobacco Day - May 31 2026. Each year, the World Health Organization (WHO) holds World No Tobacco Day on May 31. The goal is to spread awareness about the risks of tobacco use. Your average smoker drops around \$4,000 on cigarettes annually. Imagine all of the other cool holidays you could enjoy with that. Use World No Tobacco Day as a step towards a less smoky future. (<https://nationaltoday.com/world-no-tobacco-day/>)