

U.S. Department of Defense Combating Trafficking in Persons Point of Contact (CTIP POC)

INTRODUCTION

The Department of Defense (DoD) Combating Trafficking in Persons Program Management Office (CTIP PMO) falls under the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD (P&R)) in the Defense Human Resources Activity (DHRA). DHRA is responsible for policy development, planning, resource management, and program evaluation for all of DoD.

The CTIP PMO is tasked with developing trainings, guidelines, and procedures for trafficking in persons (TIP) awareness training for all DoD components. The CTIP PMO is also tasked with collecting and compiling data from the DoD components, and preparing reports for internal and external stakeholders on DoD anti-trafficking activities. The CTIP PMO also advises on TIP programs and projects where necessary, represents the DoD at inter-agency meetings such as the Senior Policy Operating Group, works with the Inspector General (IG) on duties related to trafficking in persons and holds a quarterly CTIP Task Force meeting providing “in-reach” for DoD components.

CTIP POC DUTIES

CTIP PMO needs a POC in every component in order to carry out its mission and mandate. CTIP POCs have the following roles and responsibilities:

1. Attend quarterly CTIP Task Force meetings representing their component, if requested by the CTIP PMO.
2. Ensure all members of their component complete the appropriate mandatory CTIP Training.
3. Provide the CTIP PMO with CTIP training data annually as requested.
4. Provide the CTIP PMO with completed CTIP accomplishments and actions for their component for the prior fiscal year, including anticipated accomplishments and actions.
5. Provide the CTIP PMO with reports of any disciplinary actions taken against Military Service members and DoD civilians related to CTIP violations.
6. Provide the results of an annual self-assessment at the DoD component or Combatant command (CCMD) level that assesses strengths, weaknesses, and effectiveness of CTIP

program implementation, including reporting on TIP incidents, investigations, prosecutions, convictions or disciplinary measures, and TIP training programs.

7. Provide the CTIP PMO with data, as needed, to fulfill additional Federal agency and Congressional reporting requirements.
8. Assist in ensuring that Commanders are aware of CTIP laws and policies and take proper action to prevent human trafficking in the component.
9. Assist in identifying nominees for the Presidential Award for Extraordinary Efforts to Combat Trafficking in Persons.

BACKGROUND – CTIP PMO AUTHORITIES

On December 16, 2002, the President signed National Security Presidential Directive 22 declaring the United States’ zero tolerance policy for TIP. The Directive states, “Agencies shall review their internal structures, personnel requirements, capabilities, information systems, professional education programs, training procedures, legislative authorities, and budgets to accommodate the provisions of this directive...Departments and agencies shall ensure that all of the appropriate offices within their jurisdiction are fully trained to carry out their responsibilities to combat trafficking.” The CTIP PMO is responsible for overseeing, developing, and providing the necessary tools for implementing National Security Directive 22 within DoD.

DoD Instruction 2200.01, “Combating Trafficking in Persons (CTIP),” published February 2007 and revised April 21, 2015, states, “Heads of Components will conduct an annual CTIP awareness training program for all members of their components.”