

Family Research Interest Group (FIG) Charter			
<b>Sponsor:</b> Tri-Service Nursing Research Program	<b>Principle Members:</b> <b>LCDR(s) Whitney Brock</b> <b>LCDR Allyson Whalen</b> <b>CDR Abigail Yablonsky</b> <b>LTC Kristal Melvin</b> <b>LTC (ret) Janice Agazio</b>	Membership in the FIG will be open to all nurses and other healthcare professionals interested in military family centered care. Military family centered care refers to health care that is delivered to the family of an active duty military service member, which, at the minimum, encompasses neonatal, pediatric, adolescent, and adult (partner) care.	
<b>Business Case/Opportunity Statement</b> The Family Research Interest Group is a collaborative Triservice community of nursing professionals with an interest in expanding the foundation of knowledge upon which can be built expert practices in improving the care delivered to the military family.			
<b>Goal Statement:</b> To generate family-based research that will influence DoD policy and program development, support evidence-based decision making, and optimize the care of the military family.			
<b>Scope</b> We define the military family as a married couple/committed partnership, in which at least one individual is in the military, with or without children, OR a single active duty member who is responsible for the care of one or more children.			
<b>Deliverables for 2018</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold monthly leadership meetings</li> <li>• Hold bimonthly meetings for the general FIG membership</li> <li>• Present preliminary literature review findings at the TSNRP Dissemination Course in April 2018</li> <li>• Present preliminary literature review findings at the Military Health System Research Symposium (MHSRS) in August 2018</li> <li>• Sponsor the first-ever MHSRS breakout session focused on military families</li> <li>• Develop a manuscript of preliminary findings from the literature review</li> <li>• Develop a FIG logo (e.g. sponsor a logo-development contest to be announced at 2018 TSNRP Dissemination Course)</li> <li>• Increase FIG general membership by 10%</li> </ul>			
	<b>Timeline</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Date Achieved</b>
1	Present findings of literature review at TSNRP	April 2018	
2	FIG Leadership Strategic Meeting at TSNRP	May 2018	
3	Sponsor MHSRS Military Family Breakout Session	August 2018	
4	FIG Leadership Strategic Meeting at MHSRS	August 2018	
5	EBOD Summary Manuscript Submitted to a journal	September 2018	

6	Decision Paper of future direction of the FIG	November 2018	
7	FIG Logo developed	December 2018	

Charter becomes effective upon signature. The charter will remain active and current until **1 March 2020** before requiring renewal. The TSNRP Executive Board of Directors has the discretion to stand down this Working Group at any time with consensus.

**APPROVAL**

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