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- Arrange help with household matters, reschedule appointments, run errands, and provide meal support
- Babysit or make temporary childcare arrangements
- Keep a log of your questions for the Casualty Assistance Officer (CAO) or Unit Commander/Rear Detachment Commander
- Provide transportation and/or accompany family to local medical/rehabilitation facility
- Assist visiting family members and friends with installation access and/or lodging

What A Care Team Does Not Do

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- Provide information about benefits or entitlements (i.e., handled by the CAO and unit leadership)
- Offer any type of counseling

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Military Chaplain:

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Casualty Assistance Officer:

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KEY RESOURCES FOR CASUALTY ASSISTANCE

Army Family Programs – www.myarmylifetoo.com Information about Army Family Programs & Services

U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program (AW2)

1-800-237-1336 or www.aw2.army.mil Assistance to Families who have a Wounded Warrior, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm EST, M-F

Wounded Soldier and Family Hotline

1-800-984-8523 or www.armyfamiliesonline.org Help to resolve medical related issues, 24/7

Army Casualty and Memorial Affairs Operations Center

1-866-272-5841 or

www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/tagd/cmaoc/ffccc/index.htm Long term support to Families of Fallen Soldiers connecting survivors to services, 24/7

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Information, useful resources and referral services when exhausted all other resources 8:00 am - 4:30 pm EST, M-F

Military Severely Injured Center - 1-888-774-1361

www.militaryonesource.com (search for MSI Center) Centralized support to assist Families about benefits, identifying resources, and obtaining counseling, information, and community support, 24/7

Military OneSource – 1-800-342-9647 or

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Assistance to Soldiers and Families with child care, personal finances, emotional support during deployments, relocation information, resources needed for special circumstances, or private counseling in the local community 24/7

Department of Defense's Military Homefront

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