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Measured approach will return employees to workplace

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – In his weekly video address to the workforce, Army Materiel Command Commander Gen. Gus Perna stressed the measured approach Army and AMC leaders are taking in determining when and how employees will return from teleworking. He encourages employees to focus on managing their workload in support of Soldiers from home offices while also improving their quality of life and building personal relationships.



AMLC realigns under Life Cycle Management Command

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Army Materiel Command is restructuring the Army Medical Logistics Command under a two-star life cycle management command. AMLC, responsible for projecting and sustaining medical materiel capabilities and data, will realign under AMC's Communications-Electronics Command. The transition better enables AMLC to focus on the life cycle management of medical equipment and supplies, and supports Army readiness.



Coping tools key in battle against mental illness, suicide

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Throughout the nation, May is recognized as Mental Health Awareness Month, a time to bring attention to mental illnesses and suicide deaths, and the impact they have on American families. There are concerns that stressors associated with the COVID-19 pandemic will cause an increase in mental illness and suicide deaths, said the Army Materiel Command's Suicide Prevention Program Manager Skip Johnson.



New power supply extends life cycle of portable ventilator

TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT, Pa. – A new power supply will increase the sustainability of life-saving ventilators used by the Armed Forces. Rapid response to meet a growing need for the 754M Impact portable ventilator led Tobyhanna Army Depot to partner with U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency's Medical Maintenance Division in producing a compatible power supply to replace damaged ones original to the system and no longer available. The partnership fulfills critical needs by leveraging Tobyhanna fabrication, manufacturing and logistics capabilities.



SAMD performance stays on track amid COVID-19 measures

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – When telework and travel restrictions became the prescription to help slow the spread of the coronavirus pandemic, Aviation and Missile Command's Security Assistance Management Directorate were prepared. "Due to the nature of our business involving significant travel requirements, most of our staff already had laptops and other mobile devices to facilitate work efficiencies," said AMCOM SAMD Director Brian Wood, adding that SAMD is maintaining a high level of foreign military sales case development and execution.



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RPOEs: Force multipliers for combatant commanders

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. – Rapid Port Opening Elements are the Army’s contribution as the surface element to the Joint Task Force Port Opening, facilitating the movement of warfighters, equipment and supplies globally. RPOEs can open a port anytime, anywhere in the world within 12 hours of notification, providing a specialized expeditionary capability.

Arsenal steps up during COVID-19 response

PINE BLUFF, Ark. – Beginning in March, Pine Bluff Arsenal started to design, test and produce cloth face coverings in support of the Department of Defense and Center for Disease Control and Prevention directives during the COVID-19 global pandemic response. The Arsenal has produced approximately 8,700 cloth face coverings as of April 27, with about 7,600 shipped to Joint Munitions Command and Tank-automotive and Armaments installations.

GB projectiles delivered for destruction

BLUE GRASS ARMY DEPOT, Ky. – Blue Grass Chemical Activity marked a significant milestone this month with the end of the GB projectile delivery campaign. Chemical crews removed the last of nearly 4,000 GB projectiles once stored in earth-covered magazines in the chemical weapons storage area at Blue Grass Army Depot. Over four months, crews moved these chemical weapons to the depot’s chemical agent-destruction pilot plant for demilitarization.

Contract approach boosts base operations competition

FORT MEADE, Md. – Mission and Installation Contracting Command officials are piloting a process to competitively award a contract for daily services comprised under base operations at Fort Meade, aimed at saving costs. Representatives from the AbilityOne Commission, Installation Management Command and MICC kicked off the pilot acquisition with discussions on roles, responsibilities and tentative milestones for a projected contract award in late October.

CCAD uses limited resources to make an impact

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Corpus Christi Army Depot successfully recycled 17 tons of metal and cardboard materials on a monthly basis in 2018-2019. In addition, CCAD conducted its first Earth Day event that educated 536 students on a wide variety of environmental topics at their sponsored school, Kolda Elementary. The Depot also improved the corrosion prevention process by successfully using environmentally preferred chemicals.

Holston expands environmental efforts

KINGSTON, Tenn. – With the issuance of the facility contract modification in December 2018, Holston Army Ammunition Plant instituted a revised waste material evaluation plan to ensure continued improvement in environmental safety and emissions. Chief among Holston’s efforts is a comprehensive process to divert materials from open burning to solid waste landfill disposal, reducing the amount of burned waste and related emissions.

Focus on the Force



Army aviator’s training innovation gaining attention

USAG Ansbach First Responders remain committed during COVID-19

Volunteer of the Year winners receive ‘shout-out’ from garrison commander



Army’s anti-terrorism technology chasing COVID-19

SFABs look to grow force, expand missions around the world

DOD launches financial education website for military spouses