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Team McChord,

Many of you have heard me talk about the importance of fostering a culture of dignity and respect. Recently, I spoke with some of our young Airmen at FTAC and asked them what a culture of dignity and respect meant to them. The first answer Chief Drake and I got was **PRIDE**—not pride based on ego, but pride in the unit and how we fit into the larger mission. The second answer we got was **PRIVILEGE**—the privilege to serve our Nation, to serve our Air Force, and to wear the uniform. The last answer we got was **STANDARDS**—upholding the standards expected of us as Airmen. All I can say is that Chief and I were very impressed by their answers. As we work towards instilling a culture of dignity and respect in our Air Force, please take a moment to think about the words from our most junior Team McChord Airmen—Pride, Privilege, and Standards!

Sick Call: Changes that affect you!

In order to provide you with better access to medical care, our sick call process will change as of 1 November. Supervisors will have the authority to grant up to 24 hours of sick status for minor illnesses without members having to make a trip to the clinic.

For a serious illness, or an illness lasting more than 24 hours, same day care is available by calling 800-404-4506, or by visiting https://www.tricareonline.com. In either case, members must contact their supervisor first.

How does this benefit you? Simple: less waiting at the clinic! Book your appointment online or as early as 0600 by phone. *Members on special duty status will still be seen on a walk in* basis. As always, dial 911 for emergencies.

When disaster strikes, Be Ready



As we approach the winter months in the Pacific Northwest, make sure you and your families are prepared. The Air Force Be Ready app can help.

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