

2017 Annual Report to Congress: Providing the Science to Support Military Readiness and Resilience

The Community Preventive Services Task Force (CPSTF) released its [2017 Annual Report to Congress: Providing the Science to Support Military Readiness and Resilience](#). The report highlights ways CPSTF recommendations can be used to support the readiness and resilience of the United States Armed Forces. Particular emphasis is placed on the challenges of obesity, tobacco use, and excessive alcohol use.

“Air Force Global Strike Command’s most valuable resource is and will always be our Airmen. The health of our Airmen is vitally important to our mission of strategic deterrence and global strike. [The Community Preventive Services Task Force] provides data-driven recommendations our commanders can utilize to improve the health and performance of their units.”

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Military leaders—from Pentagon officials to base commanders—use CPSTF recommendations to ensure active duty and reserve personnel are “ready to fight tonight.”



CPSTF recommendations provide evidence-based options to improve the health of Americans so that more young adults are fit for service.



When CPSTF recommendations are used—both on and off base—military personnel and their families are healthier and safer.

The [Community Preventive Services Task Force \(CPSTF\)](#) is an independent, nonfederal panel of public health and prevention experts. The CPSTF is congressionally mandated to identify community preventive programs, services, and other interventions that save American lives and dollars, increase longevity, and improve quality of life. CPSTF members represent a broad range of scientific, practice, and policy expertise in community prevention services, public health, health promotion, and disease prevention. The CPSTF is supported by [32 liaison organizations](#) that represent the Armed Forces, federal agencies, and national organizations invested in America’s health.



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