

JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS

Press Statement

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Updated changes made to JBLE access

JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS, Va. – In response to a recent change to the Health Protection Condition level to Charlie, or HPCON (C), the installation commander has limited base access to "official business only." These changes will be implemented at both Langley and Fort Eustis effective at midnight, Mar. 20, 2020.

To ensure the safety of base personnel and the community, access is limited only to those conducting official business. Official business includes access to the Commissary, Base Exchange, Hospitals, Child Development Centers and Pharmacy. This is not an all-inclusive list, but is intended to help minimize the footprint on JBLE while we combat COVID-19. All visitor and guest passes have been suspended until further notice.

"JBLE leadership continues to follow all risk-based measures consistent with guidance from the DoD and the Centers for Disease Control in an effort to prevent the impacts to our service members, families and our community" said Col. Clint Ross, installation commander. "We understand the change will greatly affect access to the installation, but this will be an integral part in JBLE's stand against the spread of COVID-19 as we work together to flatten the curve."

If you are a member of Team JBLE and have questions regarding these changes, please contact your chain of command to receive more information.

JBLE officials are working closely with the Virginia Department of Health to coordinate prevention and response efforts in the local area and will continue providing up-to-date information.

In accordance with HPCON Charlie measures, JBLE will execute procedures to mitigate health risk due to a substantial threat to personnel based on the existence of COVID-19 in the local area. JBLE members and families are encouraged to practice prevention measures including: practicing strict hygiene, social distancing, staying home if sick, self-isolating if exposed, avoiding contaminated food/water, limiting installation access to official business, sanitizing common use items and area, and contacting your healthcare provider for notification of symptoms.

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