



The Steven A. Cohen
Military Family Clinic
at Child & Family Service

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Cohen Clinic at Child & Family Service Now Treating Active Duty Service Members With Individual Therapy

Hawai'i Veterans Clinic Answers Call to Fill Significant Gap in Mental Health Care for Those Currently Serving

Mililani, HI, November 10, 2021 – Today, the [Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Child & Family Service](#), a not-for-profit philanthropic mental health care clinic that serves post-9/11 veterans and military families throughout the state, announced that it is now providing individual treatment to active duty service members. The expansion of services enables the Cohen Clinic to treat the entire military family at any point along their care continuum.

This announcement follows the clinic's one-year anniversary of its virtual launch in September 2020. The Cohen Clinic at Child & Family Service is a part of [Cohen Veterans Network](#) (CVN), a nationwide system of mental health clinics for veterans, military families, and active duty service members.

With more than 45,000 active duty service members in Hawai'i and nearly 60,000 military family members,* we are meeting the need for mental health providers who are trained to help with the unique challenges they face.

Active duty personnel may now seek mental health treatment from the Cohen Clinic in Mililani, as well as a majority of the [19 Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinics](#) across the country, with a TRICARE referral.

“We're happy to announce that we have expanded services by providing individual counseling to active duty service members, including the Guard and Reserves Active Guard Reserve (AGR) Force,” Clinic Director Janet Covington says. “We're here to help our men and women in uniform to address their emotional needs and challenges in a warm and welcoming environment. When we support our service members, we support their 'ohana and our veteran and Hawai'i community as well.”

In 2020, the National Defense Authorization Act instructed the Secretary of Defense to send individuals out to community care if the DoD was unable to provide care for mental health or behavioral health care for active duty service members within 15 days.



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Extending care to individual service members builds on the Cohen Clinic’s growing partnerships with DoD, the VA, and veteran service organizations (VSOs) throughout the state of Hawai’i.

In fact, partnerships are at the heart of the Cohen Clinic model.

“There’s nothing that drives us to serve more than the love of family and community, and we’re humbled to provide care for those who serve and sacrifice for our country every day,” said Child & Family Service President & CEO, Karen Tan.

“We’re honored to have partnered with CVN last year in bringing this clinic to life. Now that active duty members will receive individual services, we look forward to meeting the mental health care needs of even more military personnel and their ‘ohana.”

The Cohen Clinic at Child & Family Service has delivered most of its care online via [CVN Telehealth](#), face-to-face video therapy, during the COVID-19 pandemic. This expertise in virtual therapy will be key in reaching service members at various military installations across the state. As in-person services have begun, the clinic will also continue offering Telehealth to make care easily accessible to active duty clients and others.

Military culturally competent care is available for a variety of mental health challenges including depression, anxiety, post-traumatic stress, adjustment issues, anger, grief and loss, family issues, transition challenges, relationship problems, and children’s behavioral problems.

More information about the referral process and confidentiality of active duty care is available in this [Cohen Veterans Network news release](#).

ABOUT THE COHEN CLINIC AT CHILD & FAMILY SERVICE

[The Cohen Clinic at Child & Family Service](#) provides evidence-based mental health care to post-9/11 veterans, active duty service members, and military families, including the National Guard and Reserves. [Cohen Veterans Network](#), a national nonprofit network of mental health clinics for military families partnered locally with [Child & Family Service](#), a statewide, community-based organization founded in 1899 with a history of serving members of the military, to establish the Cohen Clinic. Together, they have served the Hawai’i veteran and military community through the new Cohen Clinic in Mililani since September 2020.

*Source: Department of Defense 2019 Demographics Report

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