

From: Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay
To: U.S. Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay Staff

Subj: COMMANDING OFFICER’S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

Ref: (a) Executive Order 13423

1. **Purpose.** To establish policy for providing comprehensive force health protection in a professional and environmentally sound manner at U.S. Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay (USNHGB).

2. U.S. Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay is dedicated to protecting the environment and pledges to ensure compliance with environmental standards. All USNHGB employees, service providers, and contractors are expected to:
   
   a. Minimize disposal of waste, prevent spills and other pollution, and dispose of waste responsibly,
   
   b. Conserve and protect natural and cultural resources,
   
   c. Reuse, recycle, and procure recycled materials, where practical,
   
   d. Responsibly use energy through conservation, efficiency and use renewable energy sources, where feasible,
   
   e. Be an environmentally responsible neighbor,
   
   f. Periodically review, measure, evaluate and continually improve its Environmental Management System and performance,
   
   g. Comply with relevant and applicable legal and other requirements, including: Federal statutes and regulations, Navy instructions, and DoD directives,
   
   h. Communicate this Environmental Policy to all command personnel, including contractors,
   
   i. Make the Environmental Policy available to the public and encourage feedback,
   
   j. All military, civilian, and contractor personnel are urged to come forth with suggestions to further minimize reliance on hazardous materials and reduce waste in their own area and in other areas about which they may have ideas.

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