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**COMMANDING OFFICER'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

Naval Health Clinic Oak Harbor (NHCOH) is committed to protecting the environment and creating a culture of environmental excellence based on the premise of reduce, re-use, and recycle. To maintain a standard of environmental excellence, Naval Health Clinic Oak Harbor will implement an Environmental Management System (EMS) that will provide:

- Entire chain-of-command support, including providing sufficient resources for a program of successful, proactive environmental protection and compliance.
- Adoption of processes that prevent pollution and minimize hazardous material generation at the source.
- The methodical reuse and recycling of materials.
- Increased partnership with local, state, and federal agencies and the community to ensure environmental protection and full compliance with all environmental policies and regulations.
- Incorporation of environmental reviews and concerns into daily work and engineering projects undertaken at NHCOH.
- Appropriate environmental training for all NHCOH staff.
- Continuous evaluation and improvement of our environmental protection efforts.

I encourage every member of the NHCOH team to practice environmental stewardship at the command and off duty. By limiting our use of energy, recycling, and limiting our use of pesticides and other toxic chemicals, we can preserve and improve our environment. My administrator for environmental matters is Mr. Michael Hupfauer, who can be reached at (360)257-9711.

  
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