

## **Family/Friends**

### **Proficiency Code: A**

OPSEC must endeavor to establish a proper balance between dissemination of information to family members and the public, consistent with the requirement to protect critical information and maintain essential secrecy.

To enhance the effectiveness and understanding of OPSEC, the AF provides awareness, education, and training to all AF personnel (e.g., military, DAFC, contractors, family members).

Actively encourage others (including family members and family readiness groups) to protect critical information and indicators.

Commanders/directors should encourage personnel to share OPSEC awareness information with family members (both immediate and extended) and friends. This will allow family members and friends to understand how adversaries could use public media sources to obtain critical information that may be used to target AF members and their families (e.g., websites, blogs, social networking sites, newspapers, and television).

Ensure the OPSEC program includes all personnel who may have potential access to critical information to include Airmen, DAF civilians, DoD contractors, and family members.

Additional Information:

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