

COVID-19 Military Support Initiative

Pain Points Data

Data included here was collected from April 8-14, 2020, as part of CMSI "Pain Points Poll." Polling and analysis made possible by Booz Allen Hamilton and USAA Questions about this information should be directed to survey@bluestarfam.org.

Acute Pain Points:

- 91% of military family respondents indicate that educational services for children are needed in their community during this crisis.
- 36% of military family respondents are doing about the same as they were 2-4 weeks ago, while **50% say** they are doing worse, and **14%** say they are doing better.
- 36% of military family respondents have no pre-existing anxiety or depressive disorder diagnosis, but are now experiencing symptoms as a result of the crisis.
- 18% of military family respondents with school-aged children indicate **their child's grades have decreased since the outbreak began**, up from 6% in week one of polling.
- 9% of military family respondents (or their spouses) have applied for unemployment benefits.

Military Children:

- 57% of military family respondents with school aged children, **report their child's behavior has changed** due to their inability to interact with peers during the outbreak.
 - o 39% indicated their child is acting out more than usual

Food Insecurity:

- 9% of military family respondents have a member of their household that is at **high-risk of infection and** family cannot shop for groceries or medicine for fear of exposure.
- 6% of military family respondents indicate a member of their household has dietary restrictions and family is unable to find the food they need.

Mental Health:

- 29% of military family respondents indicated that they have an **existing anxiety or depressive disorder** diagnosis that has worsened as a result of the crisis.
- 25% of respondents indicate they have no existing sleep disorder diagnosis, but are **experiencing sleep** difficulties as a result of the crisis.

Community Services:

- 60% of military family respondents would like **grocery delivery or curb-side pick-up.**
- 59% of military family respondents would like virtual activities of kids.
- 56% of military respondents would like more educational services for their children.
- 50% of military family respondents would like more communication about resources and services.