MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY SUMMIT DURING COVID-19

October 14-16 2020
We would like to welcome you to this year 2020 Summit titled “Military Psychology Summit During COVID-19.” The Society for Military Psychology (Division 19, American Psychological Association), Uniformed Services University - Center for Deployment Psychology (USU CDP), Catholic University of America (CUA), and Washington, D.C. Psychological Association (DCPA), are sponsoring this three-day Summit virtually from Washington, DC on October 14th, 15th, and 16th, 2020 via webinar from 1045-1600 daily.

The Summit brings together Division 19 Think Tanks and Subject Matter Experts in our field from multiple arenas, who will present on topics including academic and training, forensic, diversity, ethics, early career psychologist and student leadership, international perspectives, leadership coaching, moral injury, and suicide prevention.

Additionally, a diverse range of Military/Veteran Service Organizations and mental health initiatives including the Blue Star Families, Institute for Military and Veterans Families at Syracuse University, inTransition, Lone Star Warriors, Military Child Education Coalition, Military Civilian Transition Office, Military Family Research Institute at Purdue University, Mission: At Ease, Real Warriors Campaign, Sierra Club Military Outdoors, Student’s Veterans Association, and Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) will provide an overview of their programs. At the close of each day there will be breakout sessions to follow-on with our Summit speakers and experts within the audience to network and collaborate.

We would like to thank all the service members, veterans, their families, Gold Star Families, and military community for the sacrifices you have made and continue to make for our country. We are grateful for all the organizations that have and continue to support this event and the military community.

In the spirit of advocacy and collaboration, we hope that the conversations initiated at the Summit continue so that we may all be strong and unified advocates in advancing the psychological health and resilience in strengthening our military community.

The District of Columbia Psychological Association (DCPA) has a history of providing workshops about military issues. We have invited members of the military to present about those issues, believing that they have a specialized knowledge to share with our members. Active duty and veteran involvement in the administration of DCPA has also been something we have valued. DCPA is proud to co-sponsor this Military Psychology workshop for the third year in a row.

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President
DC Psychological Association

The Society of Military Psychology (Division 19) of the American Psychological Association focused on research and the application of psychology to military needs and problems. Military psychologists work in a range of research activities, management, providing mental health services, teaching, consulting, work. Military Psychology is a vibrant specialized field often focusing on major high profile problems that are inherent within military culture such as post-traumatic disorder, traumatic brain injury, substance abuse, suicide risk, and psychological considerations related to operational aspects of military life. This summit will address a range of contemporary issues within military psychology including cutting-edge research, expert panels, and future developments in this specialized field of expertise serving the men and women who serve and defend the nation.

David Jobes, PhD
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Dr. Eric Surface, President of APA D19: Military Psychology

11:00 The Impact of COVID-19 on the Health and Wellbeing of Military Service Members and Veterans from an International Perspective

The COVID-19 pandemic has hit every nation in the world, impacting on their citizens in a variety of ways, including the members and veterans of their nation’s militaries. In this panel, how nations responded to the COVID-19 pandemic and how the pandemic affected military and veteran health and wellbeing will be discussed. In the first part of the panel, the impact of the pandemic on active duty military personnel among two nations well be presented. In the second half of the panel, how veterans were impacted by the pandemic among three nations will be presented. Collectively these initial findings will enable nations to gather lessons learned in order to improve how military and veterans may be supported in their respective country.

Panel Chair: Carl Andrew Castro, PhD, Co-Chair DIV19 International Committee, University of Southern California

1. Reservists in Corona deployment in the Swiss Armed Forces - Hubert Annen, Ph.D., Military Psychology and Military Pedagogy Studies at the Swiss Military Academy
2. Behavioral health of U.S. Soldiers during the COVID-19 pandemic: Findings from a Behavioral Health Advisory Team (BHAT) survey - Phillip Quartana, Ph.D., Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
3. Domain-specific leadership and behavioral health outcomes in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. – Amy Adler, Ph.D., Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
4. The COVID-19 Transition to Telehealth Mental Health Care for Veterans and Veteran Mental Health Care Providers – Sara Kintzle, Ph.D., University of Southern California
5. Well-being of Veterans during the COVID-19 Pandemic: a Canadian Perspective - Anthony Nazarov, Ph.D.
6. What do we know about the impact of CV-19 on UK veterans? – Nicola Fear, Ph.D., Academic Department of Military Mental Health

12:00 Division 19 Society Leadership Program Class of 2020

This panel consists of participants of the 2020 Division 19 Society Leadership Program (SLP). Each participant will discuss the development, implementation, and results of their respective Capstone Projects. The panel members will talk about the SLP in general and contributions they feel their Capstone project will make to the Society.

Panel Chair: Katherine Eklund, Ph.D., Clinical Psychology Resident at Madigan Army Medical Center at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA.

1. Webinar Development – Juan Gonzalez, Ph.D., University of the Incarnate Word
2. Utilization of Social Media as an Effective Communication Tool – Katherine Rahill, Ph.D., NASA Human Research Program at Johnson Space Center
3. Military Neuropsychology Network and Community - Taylor Zurlinden, M.A., Clinical Health PhD program at East Carolina University
4. Interorganizational Collaboration between Divisions 18 and 19 - Brian Kok, Ph.D., VA Maryland Health Care System
5. Webinar Development to Discuss Intersectionality of research and EBPs – Ryan Hess, Ph.D., HSPP, VA Northern Indiana Health Care System
6. Importance of Language in Mentor/Coach Development – Katherine Eklund, Ph.D., Clinical Psychology Resident at Madigan Army Medical Center at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA.
12:55 Selected Poster Presentation
Translation, Cultural Adaptation and Psychometric Properties of the Spanish Version of the Compact Exposure Scale (CES-Spanish)
Presenter: Naiomi Rivera-Rivera, M.A.

1:00 Outdoor Recreation and Transition for Veterans: Fun and Benefits
Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs) provide informal avenues of bonding and camaraderie based on the common foundation of military culture. When offered within the context of outdoor activities (hunting, camping, fishing, hiking, etc.), this bonding expands beyond shared military experience and offers broader avenues of connection. The benefits gained from such interaction are, in the face of challenges and stressors posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, needed now more than ever. In this panel, VSOs with an outdoor focus will each discuss their organization’s purpose and structure, current operations, and what their future efforts may look like post-COVID.

Panel Co-chairs: Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D., MSW, National Defense University, & Emily Grieser, Ph.D., United States Air Force

1. Retreating and Healing with Mission: At Ease - Mr. T.W. Howell
2. Lone Star Warriors Outdoors: Preventing Veteran Suicide - Mr. Chris Gil
3. Continuing Veterans’ Service through Outdoor Excursion with Sierra Club Military Outdoors - Mr. Robert Vessels
4. Warrior Week Career Development and Transition Program - Jennifer H. Selke, Ph.D., Camp Southern Ground

2:00 Why Are We Still Talking about Hoffman?
A frank discussion addressing the anti-military psychology movement and efforts to counter its influence within the APA post-Hoffman. The presenters will provide a factual history of the events leading to APA’s decision to engage Mr. Hoffman to produce an “independent review” of APA’s alleged involvement in detainee abuse, followed by an examination of the false narrative provided in Mr. Hoffman’s subsequent report. The presentation will conclude with an analysis of the ongoing damage done to the organization and its members as a result of institutional decisions, leaving the participants with the question: What is the pathway forward?

Panel Co-Chairs: Mark Staal, Ph.D., DIV19 Former President & Sally Harvey, Ph.D., DIV19 Former President

1. D19’s Response and the Legal Battle - Mark Staal, Ph.D.
2. Anti-Military Psychology Countermeasures - Sally Harvey, Ph.D.

2:55 Selected Poster Presentation
A model for Ensuring Culturally Competent Behavioral Health Care for Military Connected Clients
Presenter: Christy Collette, M.S. LCSW

3:00 Break Out Meetings
10:45 Opening Day 2

11:00 Academic, Training, & Forensic Think Tank

How do we prepare the next generation of military psychologists and leaders? This panel will approach academic training from different perspectives; preparing the next generation of military psychologists through a pre-internship training program, coaching hardiness in future leaders, adapting psychology training effectively in a pandemic and post-doctoral training in forensic psychology in the military and during a pandemic.

Panel Chair: William Brim, Psy.D., Center for Deployment Psychology, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

1. Military Summer Institute: Preparing the Next Generation of Military Psychologists - Elizabeth Parins, Ph.D., Center for Deployment Psychology, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
2. Coaching Hardiness in Leaders - Paul Bartone, Ph.D., Institute for National Security Policy, National Defense University & Steven Stein, Ph.D., Multi-Health Systems
3. Forensic Psychology Training and Resources in COVID-19 - Paul Montalbano, Ph.D., Center for Forensic Behavioral Sciences at Walter Reed National Military Center
4. Graduate Psychology Training during a Pandemic: Maintaining Psychology Training - Joseph Troiani, Ph.D., Adler University

12:00 Pandemics and Populations: What about suicide?

This panel will introduce public health approaches and pandemic considerations applied to suicide prevention. COVID-19 specific impacts on suicide risk and protective factors will be reviewed as well as interventions driven by need for social distancing.

Panel Chair: Bruce E. Crow, PsyD, MPH, Department of Veterans Affairs Suicide Prevention Program

1. Public Health Approaches and Responses to Suicide Risk - Bruce E. Crow, PsyD, MPH, Department of Veterans Affairs Suicide Prevention Program
2. COVID-19 Impacts on Suicide Risk - Mark A. Reger, Ph.D., University of Washington Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences
3. Individual and Community Resilience in Response to COVID-19 - Craig J. Bryan, PsyD, ABPP, University of Utah, National Center for Veterans Studies
4. Intervening at a Distance - David A. Jobes, Ph.D., ABPP, The Catholic University of America, Department of Psychology

12:55 Selected Poster Presentation

Developing a Tool for Treatment Selection Through a Review of CPG-Concordant Treatment Manuals for PTSD
Presenter: Jennifer Phillips, Ph.D.
1:00 Veteran-to-Civilian Career Transitions: A Roundtable with National Nonprofit Leaders

This roundtable discussion will provide an overview of the three primary pathways military veterans take as they transition into a civilian career and transition as veterans to new opportunities. The panel features national nonprofit leaders whose respective organizations focus on student veterans and higher education, entrepreneurship and nontraditional career paths, and career transition services. This panel will include a brief overview of veteran transition trends, an introduction to the three national veteran nonprofits – Student Veterans Association (SVA), Hire Heroes USA, and Syracuse University’s Institute for Veteran and Military Family’s (IVMF) Entrepreneurship program – and a discussion with leaders from each organization. Additionally, the panel facilitator will highlight how large companies collaborate with nonprofit partners to accelerate and enable community based approaches targeting veteran and military spouse employability.

Panel Chair: Kristin Saboe, Ph.D., Boeing

1. Entrepreneurship Pathways for Veterans - Misty Stutsman
2. Student Veterans and Education as the Next First Step - Michael Duerr
3. Supporting Veterans in their Civilian Employment Transition - Micah Taylor

2:00 Military Coaching Programs and Practices

Presently, psychologists serving as coaches provide assessments, skill training, performance enhancement, and leadership consulting in the government and military. Subject matter experts in the field of coaching have identified techniques (e.g. goal setting, self-reflective homework) used by successful coaches (Vandaveer, Lowman, Pearlman, & Brannick, 2016). Coaches apply these techniques with leaders, and individuals in military settings that can often are ambiguous, complex, and volatile. While coaching has become more common practice in the corporate sector, the military is in the formative stages of developing programs for the effectiveness of various populations in different armed forces. Based on this evolving field in the military a think tank was formed with members from both the civilian and military psychologist that work with military members. This panel features psychologists serving in various organizational coaching, consulting, research, and advising roles. This presentation will describe some current military programs and coaching practices by psychologist for military members.

Panel Chair: Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D., MSW, National Defense University

1. Coaching the Positive with Leaders and Strategic Thinkers - Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D., MSW, National Defense University
2. Executive Coaching in the U.S. Navy: Considerations for Large Organizations - Scott Johnston, Ph.D., U.S. Navy
3. Developing a Military Organization Coaching Program for Elite Forces: Opportunities and Challenges - Michael DeVries, Ph.D., U.S. Army & Michelle Ambrose, Ph.D.
4. Emotions, Performance, and Coaching - Gregory Ruark, Ph.D., U.S. Army Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences

2:55 Selected Poster Presentation

Perceptions of effective U.S. Army squad leaders
Presenter: Melissa Bleiberg, M.A.

3:00 Break Out Meetings
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11:00 Department of Defense Programs for Outreach and Transition

Stigma-related concerns and frequent transitions present barriers to care among service members and veterans. This panel will present example outreach programs from the Department of Defense, with an aim to share lessons learned and best practices in linking service members and veterans to support resources outside formal care networks. In particular, emphasis is placed on outcomes-based and data-driven practices that are crucial to showing the effectiveness of these programs. In addition, programs will present on barriers to program implementation, and how to work collaboratively to establish a network of partners.

Panel Chair: Tim Hoyt, Ph.D., Psychological Health Center of Excellence

1. Real Warriors Campaign: Media Outreach to Reduce Stigma - Nicholas Polizzi, Ph.D., Psychological Health Center of Excellence
2. inTransition: Facilitating Care during Transitions - Matt Lowery, LCSW, Psychological Health Center of Excellence
3. Military to Civilian: Veteran Transition Hurdles - Nate Ainspan, Ph.D., DoD Military-Civilian Transition Office

12:00 Addressing Systemic Racism During the COVID-19 Pandemic

This panel was intentionally created for the purpose of discussing experiences of military psychologists of diverse backgrounds and their experiences and/or studies around racism. The presence of a global viral pandemic has made space for people to explore the racism pandemic that has been present in the U.S. for centuries prior to Covid-19. This panel of esteemed military psychologists of color will discuss their expertise and experiences of navigating the world, emphasizing the presence of various health/social/economic disparities, institutional racism in structures such as the military and academia, inconsistencies of treatment in the justice system, and the impact of racism on people of color in the military. They will each offer insights into their areas of expertise as it pertains to the impact of racism from a psychological perspective.

Panel Co-Chairs: Erin Moeser-Whittle, Ph.D. & Jessica Smedley, Ph.D.

1. The Role of the Psychology Classroom in Educating Future Leaders on Racism During a Global Pandemic - Lolita Burrell, Ph.D., U.S. Army
2. Consulting with Military Leaders on Addressing Systemic Racism - Amileah Davis, Ph.D., U.S. Air Force
3. A Historical Context for a Present-day Pandemic - Sade Soares, Ph.D., U.S. Army

12:55 Selected Poster Presentation

Social Support and Military Identity as Predictors of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder Symptoms
Presenter: John Lokke
1:00 **Moral Distress, Diversity, and COVID-19**

A widely used working conceptualization of moral injury is “perpetrating, failing to prevent, bearing witness to, or learning about acts that transgress deeply held moral beliefs and expectations” (Litz et al., 2009). Combat situations, and especially guerilla warfare, often result in ambiguous, split-second decisions, in which the sanctioned course of action is not readily apparent or results in collateral harm. For these reasons, service members in warzones may perpetrate action or witness acts that transgress their moral code. While two presenters discuss moral injury in service members, moral injury occurs in other occupations. Two presentations also address moral injury in the context of healthcare providers and intelligence, surveillance officers. Although some traditional treatments have been used or adapted to treat moral injury, non-traditional treatments are needed as well. The presenters will also discuss non-traditional treatments being explored for moral injury.

Panel Chair: Michelle Kelley, Ph.D., Department of Psychology, Old Dominion University, Virginia Consortium Program in Clinical Psychology

1. Moral Injury: The Toll of This Invisible Wound in Veterans and Healthcare Providers - Paula Domenici, Ph.D., Center for Deployment Research, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
4. Understanding the Spiritual Dimensions of Moral Injury among Combat Veterans in a Peer-to-Peer and Retreat-Based Program - Joseph M. Currier, Ph.D., Department of Psychology, University of South Alabama

2:00 **Supporting Military Families During COVID-19**

Supporting military families during COVID-19 Chair: Stephen Bowles, PhD

Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs) and academic programs centered around military families aim to help with the transitioning and reintegration processes. Among these organizations are Blue Star Families, Military Child Education Coalition, Military Family Research Institute, and the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS). These organizations all act as external resources to support the military family, conducting research and providing resources to help them to live full and happy lives. Especially during these uncertain times of COVID-19, it is more important than ever to uphold military families. In this panel, organizations will present on their mission statements, military family programs, research they are conducting, and how they are operating currently and plan to operate post-COVID.

Panel Chair: Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D., MSW, National Defense University

1. Military Families’ Mental Health Before and During COVID-19 - Jessica Strong, Ph.D., LMSW, Blue Star Families
2. Military Family Adaptation to Challenging Circumstances - Shelley MacDermid-Wadsworth, Ph.D., Purdue University
3. The Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors: An Overview of Programs and Services - Bonnie Carroll, Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors
4. Academic and Social Emotional Learning Needs of Military-Connected Children in the COVID Environment - Rebecca Porter, Ph.D., Military Child Education Coalition

2:55 **Selected Poster Presentation**

The Impact of Belongingness on the Relationship Between Moral Injury and Posttraumatic Cognitions

Presenter: Sean Cox

3:00 **Break Out Meetings**

4:00 **Student Session - Network & Debrief**

Join the session to network and have a casual discussion about the summit. Student-centric but all are welcome!

Division 19: Student Affairs committee
Mission: At Ease

Mission: At Ease is a small private organization that provides amazing outdoor experiences to our nation’s finest. At Mission: At Ease, they take disabled combat veterans on hunting and fishing adventures and use these adventures as a catalyst to work on the mental and social growth of our attendees. As the founder of Mission: At Ease said, “Through this process, we hope to identify areas for each veteran that we as an organization can make a positive impact on their lives. These impacts may range from getting them to reconnect to the world they have withdrawn from to giving them a safe outlet to ask for help.”

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Lone Star Warriors Outdoors (LSWO)

Based in Tyler, Texas, Lone Star Warriors Outdoors has the goal to help combat injured warriors to heal/cope with PTSD and help to prevent veteran suicide. LSWO got started in 2011 after its founder personally battled with thoughts of suicide. As the LSWO founder said, “After attending a hunt with another organization who wanted to thank Warriors, I realized there was much more that can be accomplished with a hunt or fishing trip or some outdoor adventure. My goal was to have a 3-day/2-night minimum where the warriors spent time together getting to know each other. We do not allow family members even if they are caregivers. We use that time to bond and talk like with did with our brothers and sisters in combat.”

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Sierra Club Military Outdoors (SCMO)

SCMO is at the forefront of a national movement to ensure every veteran in America has an opportunity to get outdoors when they return home after service. For many veterans, meaningful connections to the outdoors are a gateway to a new mission and continued service to the lands they swore an oath to protect. SCMO is about more than the healing power of the outdoors; it is also about activating and empowering voices of veterans who are already skilled and inspired to defend America’s lands, water, wildlife, and people. Veterans are change agents, enthusiastic to make a difference in their communities. When our veterans thrive, so too does our society. The goal of SCMO is to improve the lives of veterans and their families through connections with the outdoors, and to inspire members of the military and veteran community to become outspoken champions for environmental conservation and justice.

POC: Rob Vessels, Senior Campaign Representative, National Military Outdoors
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Veteran/Military Service Organizations
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Student Veterans of America

With a mission focused on empowering student veterans, Student Veterans of America (SVA) is committed to providing an educational experience that goes beyond the classroom. Through a dedicated network of more than 1,500 on-campus chapters in all 50 states and 4 countries representing more than 750,000 student veterans, SVA aims to inspire yesterday’s warriors by connecting student veterans with a community of like-minded chapter leaders. Every day these passionate leaders work to provide the necessary resources, network support, and advocacy to ensure student veterans can effectively connect, expand their skills, and ultimately achieve their greatest potential.

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Hire Heroes USA

Employment assistance is the #1 requested service from transitioning military members, and Hire Heroes USA, a national nonprofit, provides that service to thousands each year. Through personalized service and support, we help veterans and military spouses get hired, and we help companies hire and retain them.

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Institute for Veterans and Military Families

The Institute for Veterans and Military Families (IVMF) at Syracuse University is higher education’s first interdisciplinary academic institute singularly focused on advancing the post-service lives of the nation’s military veterans and their families. Supported by a world-class advisory board and public and private partners, IVMF’s professional staff delivers unique and innovative programs in career, vocations, and entrepreneurship education and training to veteran and military spouses, as well as tailored programs to veterans of all eras. The IVMF also provides actionable and national impacting research, policy analysis and program evaluation; and works with communities and non-profits across the nation to enhance service delivery for the 22.5 million veterans throughout the United States and their families.

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Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS)

Founded out of tragedy in 1994, TAPS has grown and established itself as the front-line resource to families and loved ones of our military men and women. TAPS has provided comfort and care, 24 hours a day, seven days a week through comprehensive services and programs including peer based emotional support, case work assistance, crisis intervention, and grief and trauma resources. TAPS has assisted over 80,000 surviving family members, casualty officers, and caregivers. National Military Survivor Seminars and Good Grief Camps have been conducted for 19 years and are complemented by regional seminars across the country.

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Blue Star Families

Blue Star Families is a nonprofit organization founded by military spouses in 2009 to empower these families to thrive as they serve. The organization focuses on strengthening military families by connecting them with their neighbors — individuals and organizations — to create vibrant communities of mutual support. Through research and program partnerships, and 11 local chapters nationwide, Blue Star Families ensures that wherever American military families go, they can always feel connected, supported and empowered to thrive — in every community, across the nation, and around the globe.

POC: Jessica Strong, Ph.D., LMSW, CO-Director of Applied Research
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Military Child Education Coalition

The Military Child Education Coalition is a nonprofit organization whose goal is to support our nation’s military children. Their mission is simple: to help the military child attend college, find employment, and succeed in life. Military children’s education can be disrupted by many factors, such as deployment, transition, and separation. MCEC works with a plethora of organizations in order to help the military child, such as colleges, public and private schools, and businesses. They also work closely with individuals in the military family. Through students and parent programs as well as professional development, the Military Child Education Coalition supports the military child in every aspect of their educational lives.

POC: Rebecca Porter, Ph.D., Director and CEO
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Military Family Research Institute

The Military Family Research Institute was founded in 2000 at Purdue University’s Center for Families in order to improve military families’ quality of life. Although it began as a purely research-based endeavor, the Institute has expanded to include programs and outreach. MFRI aids military families in the areas of education, community support, employment, and external relations such as policymaking. By providing their research to organizations and lawmakers, the Institute uses its findings to make an impact.

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The Division 19 Advocacy Summit is pleased to present a virtual poster session this year along with presentations by the top six reviewer related poster authors. Posters may be viewed in the virtual poster session at any time.

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