

PICK & LINKS

Instructor

Evaluations



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A total of 631 Chaplains were surveyed following trainings in the PICK a Partner and Marriage LINKS programs. The majority of the Chaplains were trained as part of the Chaplain Basic Officer Leadership Course (82%) and the remaining Chaplains were trained at Strong Bonds events (18%). The majority of the Chaplains trained in the PICK and LINKS courses were male (87%), married (79%), and white (55%). Overall, the results indicated that the Chaplains were satisfied with their trainings and felt that these courses will help singles and married couples build and maintain healthy relationships. The demographics and results are summarized in the tables below.

Demographics of Chaplains trained in PICK & LINKS (N = 631).

Training Class (%)	
CHBOLC	82.2
Strong Bonds	17.8
Age (mean, SD, range)	38.9 (8.2) 20-61
% Male	89.4
Marital Status (%)	
Married	78.5
Single	17.2
Separated	0.8
Divorced	3.3
Race (%)	
White	54.9
African American	9.5
Hispanic/ Latino	4.6
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	4.4
Asian	6.7
American Indian or Alaskan Native	17.6
Other	2.1

Evaluations of the PICK a Partner Instructor Training Course (N= 631).

	% Agree ▼	% Slightly Agree ▼	% Slightly Disagree ▼	% Disagree ▼
The instructor gave clear explanations of the program material.	98.6	1.2		
The PICK program addressed relevant relationship issues that singles face.	97.5	1.9	0.5	0.2
The PICK program will help singles know how to build healthy relationships	96.9	2.2	0.5	0.2
I believe the PICK program will benefit singles	96.6	3.1		0.4
I increased my understanding and confidence of how to effectively teach the PICK program.	92.7	6.6	0.3	0.3
Overall, I am very satisfied with my training in the PICK program.	95.4	4.1	0.2	0.2

Below are some of the general comments made by Chaplains who participated in the PICK a Partner Instructor Training.

This program is great. The training makes me feel very confident that I could step in and start teaching this myself!

Very powerful program. I think this is perhaps the BEST program I have seen, using general revelation. Amazing training that will help me to promote health to soldiers, mentally, spiritually, and emotionally.

This course was very interesting and informative especially for a single soldier. I am single so I really enjoyed it!

This training is excellent and will greatly assist members of my unit and improve relationships. Soldiers and their families will greatly benefit from this program.

We are fortunate to have this presenter. He not only authored his material, he presented it with talent that held our attention. He modeled how we should present the material, gave us useful tips and advice, and made the training enjoyable. I am going to use this in my own relationship. Keep him coming back as long as possible!

Favorite 2 days of CHBOLC. I loved it! Thank you so much for investing in this program.

Evaluations of the Marriage LINKS Instructor Training Course (N= 631).

	% Agree ▼	% Slightly Agree ▼	% Slightly Disagree ▼	% Disagree ▼
The instructor gave clear explanations of the program material.	97.8	2.2		
I increased my understanding of how to maintain a close bond in marriage.	96.8	3.1		0.2
The LINKS program provides answers to relevant issues couples face.	96.9	2.4	0.2	0.2
I believe the LINKS program will benefit couples.	95.4	4.3		0.3
I increased my understanding and confidence of how to effectively teach the LINKS program.	91.8	7.9	0.2	0.2
Overall, I am very satisfied with my training in the LINKS program.	95.0	5.0		

Below are some of the general comments made by Chaplains who participated in the Marriage LINKS Instructor Training.

Great training, very well-paced and enjoyable. Already have a thought about a target audience at my unit.

Excellent instructor. You kept my attention in my last week of CHBOLC! You had great stories that captivated my attention.

I liked this training over all the other relationship/marriage trainings we have received.

Outstanding! Hoah!

I really appreciated the sections on deployment and reunion. I will use these in my unit and in my own marriage.

The RAM is so easy to understand! Would love to see the RAM program for families.

This was a superior experience and by far the most relevant and practical of programs taught.