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1-800-821-3097 (toll free)
- United States Army Reserve (USAR)
1-855-558-7272 (toll free)

RCAS AKO WEBSITE GETS A FACELIFT

In September 2014, the Reserve Component Automation Systems (RCAS) website on Army Knowledge Online (AKO) got a facelift. The new look does not affect the functionality of the site which still offers quick and easy access to essential information about RCAS. The website makeover is part of the organization's ongoing effort to enhance the quality and availability of information to our customers throughout the Army National Guard (ARNG) and the U.S. Army Reserve (USAR).

We kept all the familiar links, tabs and folders that make the website easy to navigate and maintain while giving the site a fresh, new and more professional look that continues to focus



Screenshot of the new RCAS Homepage on AKO. Photo Credit: Pete Van Schagen, RCAS Strategic Communications.

on the four core areas that RCAS supports; Requirements Management; the Distributed Learning Program; Information Technology Infrastructure Integration and Refresh; and Integrated Web-Based Software Solutions.

To access the new RCAS AKO website, navigate to this link <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/207093>, login to AKO and you will be presented with the new RCAS website.

For more information about the site or to suggest improvements in content or look and feel, please contact RCAS Strategic Communications, Mr. Pete Van Schagen, 703-806-3282 or e-mail: peter.g.vanschagen.ctr@mail.mil.

INTEGRATING CYBER SECURITY INTO RCAS

October is Cyber Security Awareness Month. Have you ever asked yourself how Cyber Security is infused into the RCAS applications to keep them secure?

The Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 8500.01, March 14, 2014, mandates that Cybersecurity be fully integrated into system life cycles and must be a visible element of organizational, joint, and DoD Component Information Technology (IT) portfolios. As such, RCAS integrates secure coding practices which are vital to the overall Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) implementation. The SDLC requires that the design, coding, testing, deployment, configuration, installation, and operation of the software be secure. The RCAS software sustainment team currently utilizes an Agile Software Development



Methodology which includes Security Touch points such as Abuse Case, Architectural Risk and Static Analysis. This methodology requires a number of resources,

tools, and processes to support the overall security concepts of Confidentiality, Integrity and Availability (CIA), which are main tenants of the security Best Business Practices (BBPs). Utilizing these concepts allows RCAS to eliminate security issues in the sustainment, maintenance, and final certification of the RCAS applications. This ensures a strategic end-to-end approach for the management and adherence to the DoD Cybersecurity policies allowing RCAS to deliver more secure products to our customers.

For more information, please contact Ms. Kimberly Ferguson, RCAS Information Assurance Manager, by phone at 703-806-3414, or by e-mail at kimberly.l.ferguson.civ@mail.mil.

PD CORNER



**MR. RALPH OCASIO
RCAS PROJECT DIRECTOR**

A few of my associates like to begin this time of the year by saying "Happy New Year", but I remain a traditionalist, and will save that for a few months, and besides, even though it is the beginning of a new Fiscal Year, most definitions of "Happy" do not seem to apply at this particular point in time. However, I sincerely say "Thank YOU" for your great support and assistance in helping make FY14 all it could be in delivering you the products and services you need to continue to support our soldiers and their units. And, as you know we will continue to face fiscal resource challenges in FY15.

I invite you to take a look at our recently revised and updated RCAS AKO Website, featured in an article in this month's newsletter. I welcome your comments and feedback. Our most recent software release, 7.0.8 has been fielded, and features improvements across our entire family of applications. The continuous collaboration between the respective application product owners, developers and functional user community makes a difference in improving our product delivery, which will soon be complemented by our new automated deployment initiative. We are just beginning the process of kicking off our FY15 RCAS Environment Refresh effort.

Finally, please join me in thanking our Deputy Project Director, Mrs. Susan K. Nelson, as she concludes 40 years of Federal service, with 20 years as a member of the RCAS team. She has contributed to virtually every aspect of our program and we wish her and her family the very best. "Well Done" to say the least!!

Again, thank you for all you do for our soldiers and for your interest in what our team is doing - we look forward to continuing to serve you....Be safe out there....

RCAS RELEASE 7.0.8 IS HERE—SEE WHAT'S NEW

RCAS software release 7.0.8 was fielded on October 13, 2014. This robust release introduces several exciting new features across all RCAS applications.

An enterprise-wide change to the functionality of the RCAS Help link will enhance the user experience by providing a more resourceful interface with a drop-down menu that provides a link to the respective application Software User Manual (SUM), respective Help Desk phone numbers for the National Guard Bureau (NGB) and U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) and "About" information indicating the latest release version. Previously, the Help link would only direct the user to the application specific SUM.

The Composite ARNG Safety Development & Assessment Program (CASDAP) Questionnaire/ Inspection Checklist will allow Safety and Occupational Health (SOH) application users to complete their CASDAP self-assessments using the Checklist Management Automated System (CMAS) and SOH. The new CASDAP checklist and inspection type utilizes the CASDAP Survey issued by NGB to conduct Safety Program Evaluations across the Joint Forces Headquarters (JFHQs). The new CASDAP questionnaire functionality features a new automated report, allowing the user to generate an excel spreadsheet complete with statistical information to summarize their results that they can then forward to NGB for analysis. Another new function in Release 7.0.8 is SOH Unit Branch tables now reflect the most current regulations as outlined in Army Regulation and Department of the Army Pamphlet 670-1, Wearing of Army Uniform and Insignia. New branches include: ACQUISITION CORPS [AC], CIVIL AFFAIRS CORP [CA], ELECTRONIC WARFARE [EW], LOGISTICS [LG], and FINANCE CORPS [FI].

For the second time in as many releases, the Force Authorization Team has completed development of a new outbound information exchange using a web service. Two organizations within the Office of the Chief Army Reserve (OCAR), the Engineering and Base Operations Support System (ENBOSS) and the Commands Architecture Repository and Decision Support Source (CARDSS) require a monthly data pull from RCAS. Previously, USARC manually retrieved this data, which required man hours to complete and introduced the possibility for human error. The usage of a web

service, however, allows the USARC consumer to access the required data directly from the database without having to coordinate with another party. This gives more autonomy to the consumer, protects the integrity of the data, and reduces the level of effort required by the original producer.

In order to fall in line with existing Department of Defense data at rest direction, the Deployment and Reconstitution Tracking Software (DARTS) export within the Mobilization Planning Data Viewer (MPDV) application has been modified so you can no longer export the data to a file. The only option now within the export screen is to push the data directly to DARTS.

Within the Battle Roster, Muster Roster and Readiness Processing (SRP) Event screens and reports, counts have been added to reflect the number of Male and Female Soldiers that are associated. The MPDV team has also begun the process of removing SSN4 from screens and reports within the application. As future RCAS versions are released, additional SSN4 values will be removed.

Lastly, the MPDV SRP Event Situation Report and the SRP Event No Go Report now have the ability to export to a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet. Users can simply click on the Excel icon in the top right corner of the reports where all of the data will export.

The Personnel Team continue improvements within the Retirement Points Accounting Management (RPAM) application regarding the Interstate Transfer (IST) import function, to include no longer having to perform multiple imports for a soldier's IST data, the ability to navigate directly from the IST import error pop-up to the soldier's RPA screens, and the Summary and Detail Activities pages now allow the IST error records to be incorporated into the Soldier's records with the click of a button. The Military Personnel Office (MilPO) Orders application now allows publications of orders for inactive units, Assign/Loss reason codes for Personnel Action Request (PAR) Format 465 and Help updates. The Unit Personnel System/Command Management (UPS/CMS) application is positioned for an upcoming Standard Installation/Division Personnel System (SIDPERS) update.

For more information on RCAS Release 7.0.8 or any of the RCAS applications, please contact Mr. Jim Cook, Chief, RCAS Software Sustainment Division by phone at 703-806-3071 or by email at jim.n.cook.civ@mail.mil.

MEET YOUR DLP FUNCTIONAL LEAD



MR. VIRGIL LABOARD

Mr. Virgil Laboard started with the Distributive Training Technology Project (DTTP) in November of 2001 and in 2004 he became part of RCAS and remains responsible for managing the deployment, sustainment and maintenance of 332 Distributed Learning Program (DLP) classrooms in the 50 States, three territories and the District of Columbia.

Virgil continues to support the RCAS DLP mission which provides state of the art learning technology, anytime/anywhere, in support of Army National Guard soldiers, by improving readiness and by providing greater access to military training. Classroom design has progressed based on the evolution of the technology. Functional requirements have also changed based on the evolving needs of the classroom users and advances in available technology and Virgil has been a big part of those progressing advances.

Virgil has a Master of Science, in Computer and information Science and various certifications including Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Level III in Information Technology and Level II in Program Management. Virgil also holds a Lean Six Sigma black belt and has over 38 years of federal government service.

PD RCAS — GSME SUPPORT RECOGNITION CONTINUES

In the July edition of the RCAS News we recognized two of our Government Subject Matter Experts (GSMEs). In this edition we continue that recognition by highlighting two more GSMEs, one from the ARNG and one from the USAR who have played a major role in keeping the RCAS applications current and relevant. We appreciate the efforts of all of our GSMEs for the great work they do in service to our soldiers and our nation and their leadership for allowing them the time to assist us in making our products and services the best they can be.



Mr. Eric Engstrom is a Lead Readiness Analyst in the G33 office of the U.S. Army Reserve Command (USARC) and has been an advocate and GSME for the RCAS Mobilization Planning Data

Viewer (MPDV) application for more than eight years. Eric has been instrumental in identifying and clarifying USAR unique user requirements in the development of RCAS Releases for MPDV. He actively participates in sprint demonstrations by providing insight from an MPDV user's perspective that helps to ensure timely delivery of working releases to the field.



CW4, Randall T. Pifer, Sr., serves as an Aviation Safety Specialist for the Georgia (GA) ARNG State Safety Office and is an experienced Safety and Occupational

Health (SOH) user. He is one of our RCAS GSMEs spearheading the use of SOH in the ARNG.



Mr. Eric Engstrom. Photo Credit: Mr. Engstrom

Eric was influential in mandating the use of MPDV for capturing soldier readiness data and managing Battle Rosters in an Operation Order that was instituted throughout the USAR. He consistently serves as a

mentor for other MPDV users in the USAR community.

Eric's responsiveness and devotion to the RCAS Project ensures that the capabilities being delivered in the MPDV application meet USAR Leadership and unit requirements and are useful to our soldiers. We sincerely appreciate and thank Eric for all of his support to the PD RCAS and our soldiers and look forward to his continued support!



CW4 Randall T. Pifer, Sr. Photo Credit: CW4 Pifer

Chief Pifer has served as an SOH GSME for the RCAS project for the last four major releases. His knowledge and expertise have been invaluable to the RCAS Project Office in the area of Safety and Occupational Health.

The demanding array of tasks involved with being a GSME range from participation in bi-weekly sprint demonstrations; identifying new application enhancements that affect the entire ARNG; reporting system defects and most importantly testing all enhancements and defects that have been developed or fixed before releasing the solutions to each of the 50 States, three Territories and the District of Columbia. Chief Pifer also plays a major role in training the SOH application and is always available to assist other States and Territories in the implementation of the very robust SOH application. His total devotion and countless hours assisting the Program Office is surpassed by none. This recognition of CW4 Pifer as one of our GSMEs is well deserved and very much appreciated! The PD would also like to congratulate Chief Pifer on his upcoming retirement and wish him the best in all his future endeavors.

The RCAS Project would not be successful without the dedicated efforts of all of our GSMEs. We recognize them for taking time out of their very busy schedules to keep RCAS applications current and pertinent to the soldiers we all serve every day. THANK YOU!

If you or someone you know would be interested in becoming a GSME for the PD RCAS, please contact Mr. Jim Cook, Chief, RCAS Software Sustainment Division by phone at 703-806-3071 or by email at jim.n.cook.civ@mail.mil.

Stay tuned for more GSME recognition in future editions of the RCAS News.

PREPARING FOR AUTOMATED DEPLOYMENT OF RCAS RELEASES

Every quarter, RCAS application releases are delivered to 58 locations throughout the contiguous United States (CONUS) and Outside [the] contiguous United States (OCONUS) by way of shipping FedEx packages to each location. The PD RCAS is preparing to replace the manual shipping of media by offering automated deployment of RCAS releases to the RCAS community. Automated deployment or electronic delivery is made possible using the existing System Center Configuration Management (SCCM) infrastructure for the ARNG and the U. S. Army Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center's (AMRDEC) Safe Access File Exchange (SAFE) tools for U.S. Army Reserve (USAR). The RCAS support team plans to conduct a series

of tests prior to the first community wide automated deployment test currently scheduled for RCAS Release 7.0.9.

To prepare for electronic file delivery, those State and Territory locations with multiple SCCM instances will need to provide their preferred SCCM distribution point location to receive the release files. All SCCM deliveries will originate from the National Guard Bureau (NGB) Network Operations Service Center (NOSC).

For more information on this initiative or to identify your preferred SCCM distribution point, contact Ms. Angela Green-Mack, PD RCAS Chief Technical Officer, by phone at 703-806-3089 or by email at angela.d.green-mack.civ@mail.mil.

THE DISTRIBUTED LEARNING PROGRAM - FUTURE 2020 VISION

The PD RCAS performs as the ARNG Distributed Learning Program's (DLP) fielding office for Distributed Learning Classrooms (DLCs), as defined in a memorandum of agreement between the Director, ARNG, and the Program Executive Officer, Enterprise Information Systems (PEO EIS). PD RCAS also provides State DLP and DLC administrators with technical support.

Between now and 2020, the PD RCAS intends to field "Lite" Mobile DLCs (MDLC-Ls); these will be MDLCs with just workstations and Internet connectivity and will have no audio/video system and no Video Teleconference (VTC) capability. We are fielding the MDLC-Ls because most of today's DL content is web-based and interactive, and the ARNG DL community (comprised of State DL program administrators) has told us the demand for VTC and audio/video training has diminished since the 1990s.

The "System X (Systems/Laptops) in a Box" will allow the workstation to be fielded in smaller modules adding greater flexibility while in the mobile mode to ensure that current functionality is maintained.

System X will provide the capability to allow Points of Delivery to scale for additional students on an "as needed" basis. With current technologies and their ability to operate within the LandWarNet enterprise, this capability should provide ten additional devices; a methodology to connect the devices to the enterprise; device security; Information Assurance and authentication to the network through the use of the Common Access Card (CAC).



Representation of the Mobile Distributed Learning Classroom-Lite (MDLC-L). Photo Credit: Pete Van Schagen, RCAS Strategic Communications.

A five year refresh cycle has been established, that includes an MDLC Subsystem (Polycom hdx 8000 codec, router and Ethernet switch) that can be used when no classroom exists and the refresh DLC workstations. Utilizing wireless technology, thin client workstations, portable hand held devices, tablets, and smart phones will

provide greater access and enables secure delivery at the point of need that will enhance training and overall soldier readiness. The DLP future 2020 vision is to take the classroom to the point of delivery (the Soldier), not the Soldier to the classroom.

For more information on the RCAS DLP or the MDLC-Lite please contact the RCAS Infrastructure and Integration Division Chief, LTC Jeffrey T. Yon, by phone at 703-806-3090 or by e-mail at jeffrey.t.yon.mil@mail.mil.

FY15 REQUIREMENTS CONTROL BOARD (RCB) KICK OFF

The Project Directorate (PD) RCAS will kick off the FY15 series of quarterly Requirements Control Boards (RCBs) at the United Service Organization (USO) Warrior and Family Center at Fort Belvoir on Thursday, October 30, 2014. This RCB will offer attendees a wide range of topics for both discussion and decision. A revised board meeting format will be presented for formal adoption, and will provide a forum for both the ARNG and USAR to present and discuss respective component information technology initiatives and challenges. This revised methodology will also offer a strategic approach for the ARNG and USAR G6



Fort Belvoir USO Warrior and Family Center. Photo Credit: Fort Belvoir USO Warrior and Family Center website.

communities to discuss common issues, and integrate and synchronize potential solutions.

You can find out more about the Fort Belvoir USO Warrior and Family Center at this website: <http://us.uso.org/WashingtonBaltimore/Fort-Belvoir-Warrior-Family-Center/>.

For more information about the upcoming RCB meeting please contact Ms. Lesley Plitz, RCAS Requirements Manager, by phone at (703) 806-3212, or by e-mail at lesley.p.plitz.civ@mail.mil.

RCAS DPD RETIRES AFTER 40 YEARS OF SERVICE



Mrs. Susan K. Nelson, RCAS DPD. Photo Credit: Pete Van Schagen, RCAS Strategic Communications.

On October 3, 2014, Mrs. Susan K. Nelson officially retired from Federal Service after a career that spans more than 40 years. Susan was appointed the Deputy Project Director (DPD) for the RCAS, under the Program Executive Office, Enterprise Information Systems (PEO EIS) in September 2012.

She joined the RCAS team in 1994 as a Program Analyst where she assisted in the development of the RCAS interfaces and data mapping.

She has served in various positions within the PD RCAS in every division. Her most recent position, before becoming the RCAS DPD, was as the Chief, Quality Assurance Division for the PD RCAS. Susan brought her broad knowledge of RCAS, its history and unique qualifications to aid the PD in achieving a more rapid software sustainment strategy.

Susan is a recipient of the Meritorious Civilian Service Medal; Commander's Award - Gelini Medal; and Commander's for Civilian Service Medal.

She holds a Bachelors Degree in Computer Information Systems and is a member of the Army Acquisition Corps; is Level III certified in Information Technology and Level II certified in Program Management.

On Thursday, October 2, 2014, a retirement ceremony and farewell luncheon was held in Susan's honor at the Fort Belvoir United Service Organization (USO) Warrior and Family Center. Among the attendees were Mr. Reginald Bagby, Portfolio Manager, Enterprise Management Systems, PEO EIS; Mr. Ralph Ocasio the current RCAS Project Director, Mr. Bobby McKinnon a former RCAS



Mr. Ocasio presents Susan with the Superior Civilian Service Award. Photo Credit: Haydee Estrella, RCAS Quality Assurance Division Support.

Project Director and several of Susan's friends, family members and RCAS personnel. During the ceremony Mr. Ocasio presented Susan with the Superior Civilian Service Award, her 40 year Service Pin and a U.S. Flag flown over the Nation's Capitol in honor of her retirement, among other awards and recognition.

Our sincere congratulations to Susan on her retirement after more than 40 years of service to the DoD and RCAS. Susan will be missed, but we know her journey is not over and she will be enjoying the things she loves most in life, her family, friends and some well deserved fun.

We greatly appreciate all that Mrs. Nelson has done for RCAS and our great nation. Our sincere wish is life's richest blessings in the days ahead and in all her future endeavors.



Mr. Bagby recognizes Susan's accomplishments and the support of her family during the ceremony. Photo Credit: Haydee Estrella, RCAS Quality Assurance Division Support.

RCAS MPDV HELPS MAKE THE 49TH MMB SRP EVENT SUCCESSFUL



MSG Martinez, SRP NCOIC, checks the MPDV SRP Status Report during the event. Photo Credit: Mr. Max Dunn, RCAS MPDV Product Owner.

Last month Mr. Max Dunn, the RCAS Product Owner for the Mobilization Planning Data Viewer (MPDV) application, provided Soldier Readiness Processing (SRP) support to soldiers and staff of the 49th Multifunctional Medical Battalion (MMB) in Puerto Nuevo, Puerto Rico. Mr. Dunn

assisted unit personnel with the setup of six SRP stations in MPDV and provided individualized guidance to unit leadership and the station operators manning those stations on the use of MPDV.

There were 195 soldiers checked into the SRP event using scanners that quickly captured the soldier's identity from their Common Access Card (CAC). MSG Jose A. Martinez, 49th MMB Operations Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) in charge of the event stated in his After Action Report (AAR), "The use of the two scanners provided by the RCAS MPDV Subject Matter Expert improved the processing of the Service Members (SM) in the Check-In and Medical Stations." MSG Martinez further commented in the AAR, about the use of MPDV, "The capability of having two stations (One for Check-In and the other for Checkout) improved

the accountability of SMs and services provided by Logistics Health Incorporated (LHI)."

Through the use of MPDV the 49th MMB was able to accurately account for and manage the flow of all 195 soldiers through the entire event. The control and real time visibility of soldiers that the MPDV SRP event module provides is one of the most beneficial aspects of the MPDV application.



SGT Karin Vega, SRP Support Staff, seated front left, mans the Medical Check-In and Checkout station during the event. Photo Credit: Mr. Max Dunn, RCAS MPDV Product Owner.

In an email to Mr. Dunn, MSG Martinez said, "Thanks for all your support during our event. In our final AAR Sunday evening, the general word was that for first time in years, we can have accurate numbers at the end of an event and Staff Sections were already doing their planning process to incorporate the MPDV system in our daily operations."

If you would like MPDV on-site SRP support, contact Mr. Max Dunn, MPDV Product Owner, by phone at 703-806-3128, or by e-mail at max.g.dunn.civ@mail.mil.

WORKSHOPS AND SRP SUPPORT ARE AVAILABLE NOW

RCAS MPDV can help make your next SRP event or Workshop successful as well. To assist unit personnel, unit administrators and commanders with the use of this time-saving MPDV tool, the PD RCAS offers MPDV Leadership Workshops, briefings, and Soldier Readiness Processing (SRP) support for all levels of command. This support is fully funded by the PD RCAS so there is no cost to the field. The Leadership Workshops and briefings clarify how MPDV fits into the larger scope of pre-mobilization.

SRP support events are practical site visits aimed at providing:

- Assistance with setting up a customized MPDV SRP event

- Assisting SRP Station Operators with their role using MPDV
- Participating in out brief/AAR sessions, as requested

PD RCAS looks forward to providing SRP support for the following events:

23 - 27 Oct 2014	358th Civil Affairs Brigade (USAR)
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To request an MPDV support or a program briefing contact Mr. Max Dunn, MPDV Product Owner, by phone at 703-806-3128, or by e-mail at max.g.dunn.civ@mail.mil.

UPCOMING CONFERENCE SUPPORT

PD RCAS provides conference support at the following events:

Army National Guard Joint Assessment Conference
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas—1st Qtr. FY15, dates TBD
U.S. Army Reserve Joint Assessment Conference
Fort Bragg, North Carolina—1st Qtr. FY15, dates TBD

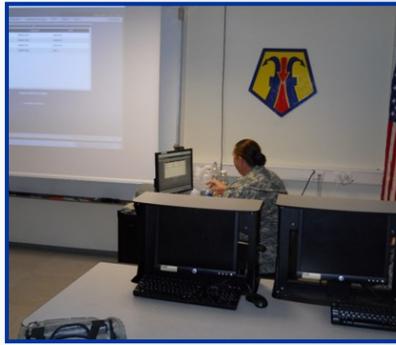
If you are planning to attend any of these workshops or conference events, visit the RCAS area for a software

demonstration and to discuss RCAS products and services.

To request RCAS participation at your next conference or workshop event, contact Mr. Pete Van Schagen, RCAS Strategic Communications, by phone at 703-806-3282, or by e-mail at peter.g.vanschagen.ctr@mail.mil or Mr. Max Dunn, MPDV Product Owner, by phone at 703-806-3128, or by e-mail at max.g.dunn.civ@mail.mil.

RCAS TRAINING CORNER

PD RCAS strives to provide the most innovative synchronous and asynchronous training for our customer using a variety of methods such as Instructor-Led, Video TeleTraining (VTT), and Defense Connect Online (DCO) sessions using some of the latest technologies.



A 7th CSC soldier, SSG Alice Lamb, assists Mr. Bailey, RCAS Instructor, by working through the MPDV application modules as he trains the class on the use of MDPV. Photo Credit: Mr. Walter Bailey, RCAS Instructor.

In the coming months, the PD will begin developing Interactive Multimedia Instruction (IMI) modules for the most used and critical system tasks and begin efforts to streamline and combine documentation from each RCAS application into single, easy-to-use soldier resources.



Soldiers from the 7th CSC learn about the full capabilities of MPDV from Mr. Bailey, RCAS Instructor. Photo Credit: Mr. Walter Bailey, RCAS Instructor.

PD RCAS trainers have been deploying all over the world to deliver live training. During the month of September, an MPDV class was conducted at Danner Kaserne, Kaiserslautern Germany by RCAS instructor Mr. Walter Bailey.

The class was conducted for the 7th Civil Support Command (CSC) and included a Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO)

who had been brought in from Vicenza, Italy to receive instruction. It also included representatives from subordinate units across the country and various sections of the Command. Mr. Bailey received several rave reviews for the week-long training.

The PD RCAS Training Team has also been striving to maximize travel funds and student participation by teaching concurrently using VTT. During the month of July, Mr. Bill Blaine conducted a

combined live/VTT class with Ft. McClellan while on-site in Birmingham, Alabama.



Soldiers on-site in Birmingham, Alabama work on the Ground Accident Practical Exercise assisted by Mr. Bill Blaine, RCAS Instructor. Photo Credit: Mr. Bill Blaine, RCAS Instructor.

This collaborative training effort allowed soldiers to learn best practices; how to record hazards, inspections, and accidents; how to generate OSHA and CASDAP reports; how to use the FATS and CMAS systems and how to maintain personnel training information.

Students were also able to navigate through the SOH application and gain practical, hands-on experience.

MPDV and SOH are only two of the applications for which the PD RCAS provides training. You can view current RCAS application training schedules and other online and DCO training opportunities by logging onto the RCAS AKO Homepage at <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/207093>, clicking on the Training Support tab at the top, and then clicking the RCAS Online Training Link on the left.



Screen shows Mr. Blaine the Ft. McClellan, Alabama classroom with students attending his SOH class via VTC. Photo Credit: Mr. Bill Blaine, RCAS Instructor.

Additional high level training videos outlining the RCAS Release 7.0 applications are also available on the RCAS AKO Training Support page at <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/files/25111775>.

For more information on RCAS training and to schedule training for your site, contact Mr. Robert G. Medley, RCAS Training Manager, by phone at 703-806-3163, or by e-mail at Robert.G.Medley.civ@mail.mil.



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