Repeated and extended wartime deployments pose significant stress to children and families. Although there is an increased awareness of the need to evaluate the mental health of soldiers, less attention has been paid to the effects of deployment on other family members. This study aims to understand the impact of military deployment on children and spouses/partners with the goal of informing effective prevention/intervention programs.

Military families with one parent who has deployed previously as part of OIF/OEF and who have at least one child between the ages of 2 and 17 years are being recruited to participate. **No in-person visits are required.**

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We are actively recruiting **4 groups** of families to participate including: 1) Military families with a deployed parent; 2) Military families without a deployed parent; 3) Civilian families with parents who are divorced or separated; 4) Civilian families with two parents in the home. **Participating families will be compensated $100 for their time.**

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