

What a Soldier or Leader can expect from Knowledge Management...

- ✓ Reduce the time needed to resolve specific technical or leadership problems and challenges
- ✓ Significantly shorten the learning curve by providing access to relevant subject matter experts and mentors
- ✓ Help create innovative breakthrough ideas and tools for the benefit of all
- ✓ Transfer best practices from one individual to another in near real time
- ✓ Decrease negative outcomes for first-time real-world contact experiences
- ✓ Reduce the cost of missions accomplishment through superior knowledge transfer
- ✓ Fill in the knowledge gaps between doctrine and TTPs learned at Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) schools and the practical application in a fast-changing environment
- ✓ Harness the collective minds of the military profession to generate “on the fly” knowledge as needed

WHY KM IS IMPORTANT TO THE ARMY

Operating in an environment of growing complexity and uncertainty, today’s Soldiers need the ability to rapidly access information, transfer knowledge and win the learning competition. “The side that learns and adapts the fastest gains important advantages.”

Knowledge Management (KM) support the creation, organization, application and transfer of knowledge to facilitate situational understanding and decision making. It is a structured approach to transfer Soldier experiential knowledge in order to give commanders and Soldiers a major tactical advantage on the battlefield.

KM enables effective collaboration by linking the various organizations and Soldiers requiring knowledge. It reduces the fog of war and enhances rapid adaptation in dynamic operations. KM combines analysis and evaluation to create knowledge. Since a broad range of knowledge potentially affects operations, the commander’s information requirements may extend beyond purely military matters. Defining these requirements and enabling this knowledge collection, maintenance and transfer are important objectives of effective KM.

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XVIII Airborne Corps Knowledge Management

The Corps Knowledge Management Office provides direct support to the Corps Staff and Commanding General by synchronizing soldiers, processes, and technology to create and deliver the right knowledge to the right soldiers at the right time. We are dedicated to providing effective KM, delivering to commanders and other decision makers knowledge products and services that are relevant, accurate, timely and useable.



*Enabling Decisions that
Provide an Operational
Advantage*

KM DOCTRINE

Army Operational Knowledge Management (AOKM) is the collective thought about how KM sections, leaders, and Soldiers operate as members of joint and combined arms teams. It provides an authoritative guide that allows freedom to adapt to circumstances while enabling commanders and their supporting staffs. ATTP 6-01.1, *Knowledge Management Section*, is currently under revision. The intent is to incrementally revise the manual collaboratively via milWiki. Who better than KM practitioners to identify best practices and assist the AOKM Proponent Office to revise and field an operationally-focused TTP?

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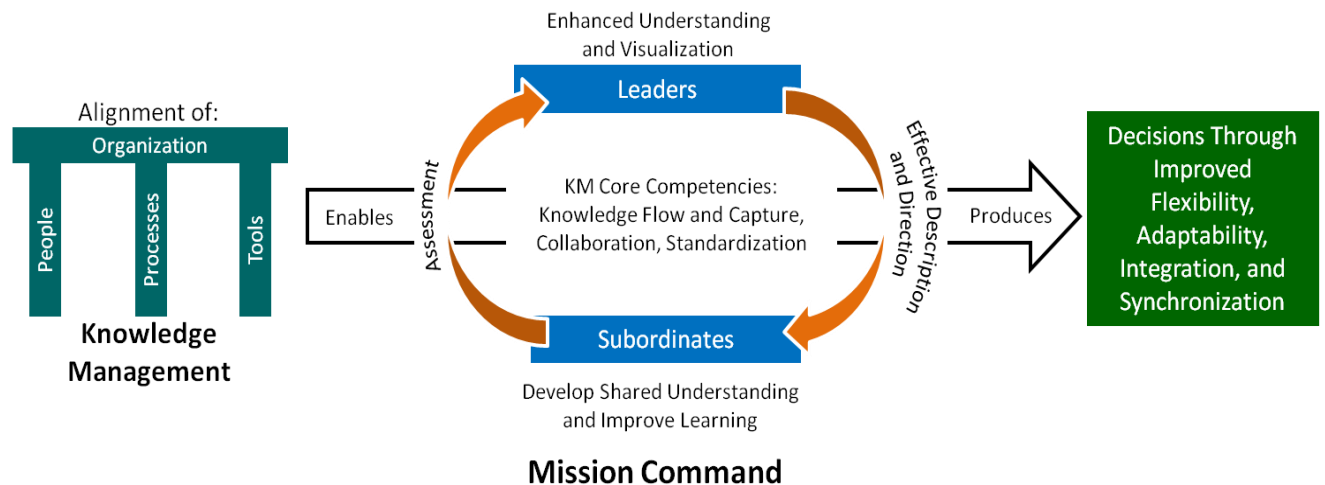
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Knowledge Management and the Operations Process

Knowledge management is the process of enabling knowledge flow to enhance shared understanding, learning, and decision making.



Purpose - create shared understanding through the alignment of people, processes, and tools within the organizational structure and culture in order to increase collaboration and interaction between leaders and subordinates enabling decisions through improved flexibility, adaptability, integration, synchronization to achieve a position of relative advantage.