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MISSION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE ARNG MEDICAL BRIGADES

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This regulation provides guidance to the States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and the District of Columbia, concerning the mission and functions of the three ARNG medical brigades located in California, Mississippi, and Ohio. Interim changes are not official unless authenticated by the Executive, National Guard Bureau. Interim changes will be destroyed on their expiration date unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

1. PURPOSE. This regulation prescribes the mission and functions of the three ARNG medical brigades located in the three CONUS Army areas at the direction of the Department of the Army and with the concurrence of The Surgeon General and the Chief, National Guard Bureau.

2. SCOPE. This regulation applies to all medical elements of the ARNG when in a non-federalized status.

3. COMPOSITION AND LOCATION. A medical brigade headquarters and headquarters company has been located in the States of California, Mississippi, and Ohio.

4. MISSION AND FUNCTIONS. The primary non-federalized mission of the ARNG medical brigades is to:

a. Establish a medical technical channel of communication to every State and territory and to each ARNG medical unit within their respective Army area.

b. Assist the adjutants general within their Army area in coordinating the medical activities and improving the mobilization readiness of those medical units by utilizing implementing instructions listed in paragraph 6 so prepared that each medical brigade may better perform their DA-directed medical support mission within their geographic region of responsibility. This in no way lessens either unit or State responsibility in this effort.

5. POLICY. a. All medical units will remain under the command and control of the appropriate State authorities at all times when in a non-federalized status.

b. The medical brigades' requirements will be supported by their respective State adjutants general and USPFO's to accomplish their interstate mission through annual budget procedures.

c. The National Guard Bureau will provide funds to the respective States in support of the out-of-State missions of the medical brigades through the annual budget process.

d. The cooperation and support of all adjutants general in assisting these brigades in performing their DA-directed special interstate mission will be appreciated.

6. IMPLEMENTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DA-DIRECTED INTERSTATE MISSION FOR THE ARNG MEDICAL BRIGADES. a. Assist in recruiting and retention of AMEDD personnel within respective brigade areas by:

(1) Providing assistance, policy, and program guidance to improve AMEDD strength within each state.

(2) Working closely with each State recruiting and retention manager and State surgeon to establish contact with professional medical schools and professional societies and organizations.

(3) Forwarding a quarterly strength report (NGB Form 400) of AMEDD personnel to NGB-ARS within 15 working days after the end of each calendar quarter.

(4) Coordinating with NGB-ARS and NGB-ARP-R and providing assistance in manning displays and advertising booths during medical professional conferences and conventions.

(5) Coordinating through the State Adjutant General and the State recruiting and retention manager notifying NGB-ARP-R before scheduling recruiting assistance visits to other States.

b. Assist in planning and assignment of medical units for AT site medical support.

(1) Be an active participant and work closely with CONUSA medical advisor in AT planning conferences.

(2) As resources become available, rotate AT site support missions to allow medical units to participate in ARTEP, FTX, and mission essential training. The objective will be to schedule units into site support missions one year, followed by unit training the next year, with plans for an ARTEP the third year.

(3) Work closely with State plans, operations, and training officers (POTO), CONUSA medical advisor, and the Readiness Region medical coordinator in preparing schedules of events. Planning and training relationships should follow the medical units CAPSTONE alinement wherever and whenever practical.

c. Provide technical assistance to insure that both medical units and individuals are trained to meet mobilization requirements.

(1) When requested, assist in planning for ARTEPS and provide personnel to evaluate the test.

(2) Periodically, conduct FTX's/JTX's or CPX's in coordination with the CONUSA medical advisor and the Readiness and Mobilization Region medical coordinator.

(3) Upon request and when feasible, conduct the Expert Field Medical Badge Test for those individuals who meet the required criteria.

(4) Upon request, provide liaison visits to State and medical units to assist in improving medical readiness.

(5) Upon request, assist in proper use of training time and aids in coordination with each State POTO.

d. Provide coordination of medical policies, programs, and technical guidance by:

(1) Publishing and distributing periodicals, exchanging of documents such as SOP's, and disseminating information received from higher headquarters and other activities.

(2) Providing information and guidance on medical boards, profiles, line of duty determinations, and interpretations of medical directives.

(3) Providing specialized assistance in veterinary, nursing, dental and preventive medicine services; and military law as it applies to medical policies.

e. Be responsible to and coordinate with the National Guard Bureau in accomplishing their interstate mission.

7. POINTS OF CONTACT. Contact with the medical brigade headquarters can be made through their respective State headquarters as follows:

Commander
213th Medical Brigade
206A Culley Drive
Jackson, Mississippi 39202
AUTOVON: 731-9373

Commander
112th Medical Brigade
2825 W. Granville Road
Worthington, Ohio 43085
AUTOVON: 346-7190

Commander
175th Medical Brigade
8250 Meadowview Road
Sacramento, California 95832
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