

Formal Line of Duty (LOD) Process: Conducting a formal LOD and uploading necessary information into the LOD Module

Description

According to AR 600-8-4 (Line of Duty Policy, Procedures, and Investigations), line of duty investigations are conducted to determine whether misconduct or negligence was involved in the cause of a Soldier's disease, injury, or death and, if so, to what degree. Formal LOD investigations are required if it is suspected that the injury, illness, disease, or death occurred under willful negligence or misconduct; or if it occurred under unusual or doubtful circumstances. A formal LOD investigation may also be conducted if the complexity of the case warrants one or if the person affected by the illness, injury, or disease (or, in the case of a death, their next of kin) requests one.

The purpose of this process is to provide a reference guide for Unit Administrators, Unit Commanders, State MILPO/Health Systems Specialists (HSS), State TAG/Reviewing Authorities, ARNG Personnel Division – Personnel Actions (ARNG-HRP-P) Analysts, and ARNG-HRP Approving Authorities when populating and approving formal LODs correctly within the LOD Module. This process is only applicable for processing formal LODs for Title 10/OCONUS and Title 32/M-Day Soldiers within the LOD Module.

Note: This process only applies to formal LOD investigations.

Regulations and Supporting Resources

[AR 15-6, Procedures for Investigating Officers and Boards of Officers](#)

[AR 600-8-4, Line of Duty Policy, Procedures, and Investigations](#)

Documents and Forms

[DA Form 2173, Statement of Medical Examination and Duty Status](#)

[DD Form 261, Report of Investigation Line of Duty and Misconduct Status](#)

Related Processes

[Informal Line of Duty \(LOD\) Process](#)

Systems

[MEDCHART Line of Duty \(LOD\) Website – Login](#)

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