

CACO Brief in 7 slides

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Slide 1: First Steps - Death Case

- Death Occurs:
 - Parent Command, ISIC, or first command appraised of the casualty submits Personal Casualty Report (PCR) via DCIPS website within 4 hours; include signed PG2/SGLI.
 - If Primary Next of Kin (PNOK) is within 50 miles, parent command handles notification and duties (escort, Line of Duty, household goods, memorial).
 - If PNOK is beyond 50 miles, nearest command notifies and assists NOK via Region.
- Purpose: Commands follow MILPERSMAN 1770-030 to ensure timely, accurate casualty reporting.

Slide 2: Injury or Terminal Illness

- Injury/Illness Protocols:
 - Commanding Officer (CO) notifies Next of Kin (NOK); submit PCR via DCIPS ("If not reported, it didn't happen").
 - Local Medical Authority determines Bedside Warranted (BSW) status; family may receive paid travel.
 - Sailors designate up to three bedside visitors in PG2/DD-93.
- Support:
 - Authorized: Lodging, local per diem.
 - Not authorized: Rental cars (local command provides transportation).
 - Verify Travel benefits with Region before promising NOK.
 - Reference: MILPERSMAN 1770-230

Slide 3: Types of CACO Assignments

- Assignment Types: Death Case, Courtesy, VSI, DUSTWUN, Command Rep
- Death Case CACO:
 - Supports PNOK, Secondary NOK (SNOK), Person Authorized to Direct Disposition (PADD), other interested persons.
- Courtesy CACO:
 - Handles death (notification, funeral), injury (travel claims), terminal illness (transportation).
- VSI and Command Rep:
 - VSI: Supports Very Seriously Injured cases.
 - Command Rep: Assists command with CACO duties.
 - Reference: CNICINST 1770.2C

Slide 4: Notification Team Protocols

- Team Composition:
 - Minimum two uniformed personnel (CACO, driver) in Dress Uniform, using government vehicle.
 - Optional: Chaplain (highly recommended).
- Materials:
 - Carry PCR, signed Page 2, SGLI; if needed, verify NOK address via NFAS.
 - Carry command/duty cell phone for emergencies.
- Tracking:
 - CNO, Pentagon, PERS13, CNIC, Region, parent command monitor death reports 24/7; update Region.
 - Reference: CNICINST 1770.2C

Slide 5: Casualty Assistance Program Structure

- Program Overview:
 - Casualty Assistance Program (under CNIC) funds and oversees CACO operations across Regions.
 - Navy Casualty (PERS-00C): Sets policy for death benefits, directs commands per MILPERSMAN.
 - Regions: Execute program, guide commands (especially those unfamiliar with MILPERSMAN).
- Casualty Context:
 - Navy deaths occur nearly daily (primarily suicide, motorcycle accidents, illnesses).
- Resources:
 - NW CACO website: User-friendly guide for commands and CACOs.
 - Notification forms PDF Guides available.

Slide 6: Summary and Next Steps

- Key Takeaways:
 - Submit PCR within 4 hours; follow notification protocols (in-person, Dress Uniform).
 - Assign CACOs for Death Case, Courtesy, VSI, or Command Rep based on case needs.
 - Use NW CACO website and MILPERSMAN for guidance.
- Teaching Point:
 - Did you notice a missing CACO type in Slide 3? What is DUSTWUN?
- Action Item:
 - Assign personnel to 8-hour CACO training for in-depth knowledge.
 - Contact Regional Casualty Assistance POCs (directory available).
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