

Wounded, Ill, and Injured Sailors: Casualty Reporting, Notification, and Bedside Travel.

When a Sailor is admitted to a hospital, a Personal Casualty Report (PCR) must be completed. Commands completing the PCR should select from the status dropdown in the online PCR form: DEATH/DUSTWUN/**VSI**. If a member is diagnosed with a terminal illness, a VSI PCR **must** be done. With this diagnosis, the member may collect 50% of SGLI in advance.

When the member is **not** in a **military care facility**, the name and number (POC) for the attending physician at the civilian hospital must be on the PCR, added to the narrative section of the PCR. Navy Personnel Command (PERS-00C) will route the PCR to the Medical Cognizant (MEDCOG), such as Walter Reed. MEDCOG will reach out to the attending physician to discuss the member's condition and make a **Bedside Warranted (BSW)** determination. If the member is BSW, Walter Reed will update the PCR, and PERS-13 will forward it to the Regions involved, where the sailor's next of kin (NOK) are located. Regions direct Courtesy Casualty Assistance Calls Officer (CACO) support for the NOK.

The NOK may travel on their own as soon as they hear the member is hospitalized, but it is up to the member's CO or Command Representative to **advise the NOK** that the entitlement decision may take a few days. Reimbursement for travel is not guaranteed. If/When the member is found to be BSW, the NOK will be entitled to **round trip air fare, hotel, and per diem** (at government rates) for the dates the member is BSW.

Navy Wounded Warrior provides the Navy and commands the support to treat Sailors in the Medical Evaluation Board or Limited Duty (LIMDU) process with the dignity and respect they earned and deserve. For commands, leaders and service members looking to get linked with the program and its resources, please reach out to NWW at 1-855-NAVY-WWP or visit the program website at www.navywoundedwarrior.com.

The Navy Wounded Warrior Program (NWW), previously known as Safe Harbor, is a beacon of support and care for active-duty Sailors, Reservists serving on active duty, and Coast Guardsmen who are wounded, ill, or injured in the line of duty **or** off duty. The program assists with Traumatic SGLI claims and coordinates the non-medical needs of these service members, providing individually tailored assistance designed to optimize the success of their recovery, rehabilitation, and reintegration activities.

References:

[MILPERSMAN 1770-030 \(navy.mil\)](#) states a Personnel Casualty Report (PCR) shall be submitted to Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), Casualty Assistance Branch (PERS-13) as soon as practicable after learning of a casualty, preferably within 4 hours.

[MILPERSMAN 1770-230 \(navy.mil\)](#) describes the process in detail.