



Arkansas National Guard Youth Challenge Program

Medical Information And Agreement

A full physical examination is required for entry in the Youth Challenge Program. If there are any pre-existing conditions present, they must be addressed and cleared by a doctor before the candidate begins the program. We will need a written release for all pre-existing conditions. If your candidate requires braces or aides for joint or limb support, you will need to send it with him/her.

If your child is on a continuous daily medication, you need to arrange for a six-month supply or refills for that length of time. Notify your physician of your child's acceptance into the program and explain that he/she will not have the ability to travel to the doctor on a monthly basis. It is your responsibility to make sure your child has his/her medication on time each month. The nurse will be contacting you within 2 weeks of a necessary refill. Medications that are mailed must be a recent prescription, in the original container with the candidate's/cadet's name, and the name of the medication printed on the label with dispensation instructions; otherwise, the medication cannot be issued to the candidate/cadet. We request that no new psychotropic medications are started or stopped in less than 30 days before entry into the program. Over-the-counter medications can be provided; however, they must be in the original, sealed container.

Female candidates need to have their yearly pap smear updated and any birth control prescriptions before attending. If your child is on an injectable medication for birth control, it is your responsibility to coordinate her appointment with an earned pass or scheduled leave.

Only emergency dental work is treated while at Youth Challenge. Biannual exams and cleanings will not be allowed. Any annual medical appointments, scheduled maintenance appointments, etc. must be completed prior to his/her start of the program, scheduled during one of his/her passes, or postponed until after graduation. We will not take candidates/cadets to routine orthodontic appointments.

All appointments are to be set up or approved by the nurse or designated Operations staff member. When the nurse's assessment results in a determination that an appointment is needed, the parent/guardian will be notified. In the event your child needs medical care above what can be handled on site, we will take him/her to a local provider, Sherwood Urgent Care in Maumelle. All candidates/cadets that are receiving Medicaid/ARKids 1st will need to arrange a six-month Managed Care Referral from their current Primary Care Physician to Sherwood Urgent Care. This can be done by calling the connect Care Line at 1 (800) 275-1131. In the case of Emergency, your child will be taken to Arkansas Children's Hospital or St. Vincent's Hospital. The parents/guardians are responsible for all appointments and medication fees.

Thank you for your cooperation in assisting in your child's successful completion of the Arkansas National Guard Youth Challenge Program.

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By signing below, I have read and I understand the above information and I agree to abide by it.

Date: _____ Guardian Signature _____

Date: _____ Candidate Signature _____