SUBJECT: National Guard Association of Texas (NGAT) Conference Attendance

References: See enclosure.

1. PURPOSE. To provide guidance for personnel who wish to attend the NGAT conference.

2. APPLICABILITY. This directive applies to all members of the Texas Military Department (TMD) regardless of duty or employment status.

3. POLICY.

   A. Attendance. Attending the NGAT conference is voluntary for all TMD personnel. Attendance in an official duty status is not authorized unless operating under the authority of an approved DD Form 2356, Request for Armed Forces Participation in Public Events (Non-Aviation). Individuals may take ordinary/personal leave or be on Permissive Temporary Duty (PTDY) to attend. Supervisors are responsible for ensuring attendance of employees granted PTDY. Personnel in units that are scheduled for drill during the conference must adhere to the unit commander’s guidance regarding split training.

   B. Active Guard Reserve (AGR), Full-Time National Guard Duty for Operation Support (FTNG-OS) personnel: AGR/FTNG-OS personnel who voluntarily register to attend may be granted PTDY to attend professional meetings IAW AR 600-8-10, paragraph 5-32e (TXARNG) and AFI 36-3003, paragraph 4.2.0, Table 4.5, Rule 7 (TXANG). PTDY is non-chargeable leave that does not incur any cost to the government.

   C. Traditional service members: Service members who wish to attend the NGAT conference may do so in a voluntary status, at no cost to the government.

   D. Military Technicians (Title 32) and National Guard Employees (T5): Attendance is voluntary, at no cost to the government. Employees must be in an approved leave status to attend the conference on any scheduled day. Liberal leave is authorized to allow maximum participation.
E. State Employees (OED): Attendance is voluntary, at no cost to the government. Personnel choosing to attend NGAT will be on a voluntary basis. Employees may take any form of personal leave during normal duty hours in order to attend the conference.

F. Use of GSA vehicles is not authorized for travel to the NGAT conference.

4. DEFINITIONS. NA

5. RESPONSIBILITIES. Officers in charge (OICs), supervisors and TMD personnel will be familiar with and adhere to all referenced and prescribed guidance.

6. INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS. This directive supports federal requirements.

7. RELEASABILITY. Unlimited.

8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This directive is effective immediately and will require expire after two years.

9. POINT OF CONTACT. The Human Resource Officer at 512-782-6725.

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References.

A. Memorandum, Subject: Critical Guidance Update to Assignment of Military Training Duties to Title 32 National Guard Technicians, 29 June 2017

B. Memorandum, NGB-J1-TN, Subject: Guidance to Allow Dual Status National Guard Technicians to Receive Influenza Vaccine While in Technician Status, 27 October 2011

C. DoDD 5210.56, Carrying of Firearms and the Use of Force by DoD Personnel Engaged in Security, Law and Order, or Counterintelligence Activities, 01 April 2011

D. 5 United States Code section 7901, Health Service Programs

E. U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Memorandum for Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies, Immunizations of Federal Workers with 2009 H1N1 and Seasonal Flu Vaccines, 30 September 2009


G. 5 United States Code section 7106(a), Management Rights