

Medical Retention Determination Point (MRDP) frequently asked questions (FAQ's)

Q: What is MRDP?

A: MRDP is when a Soldier with any medical condition, injury or defect (individually or in combination) meets the definition of a disqualifying medical condition and receives a P3 or P4 profile. These Soldiers do not have an approved line of duty (LOD) determination.

Q: What is MRDP Counseling?

A: The MRDP Counseling is designed to process Georgia Army National Guard Soldiers who have reached their clinical MRDP for discharge or have been temporarily profiled for more than 365 days, meeting administrative MRDP in accordance with AR 40-501, Para 3-1.

Q: Which Soldiers require MRDP Counseling?

A: A Soldier that has been identified by the Deputy State Surgeon-Clinical (DSS-C) of having a non-duty related condition and/or illness that does not meet retention standards are required to be processed for medical disqualification in accordance with AR 635-40, unless the Soldier requests a Non-Duty Related Physical Evaluation Board (NDR-PEB).

Q: What are the Soldier's options in the MRDP process?

A: Medical discharge, medical retirement, **retirement 20 years or more**, or request a Non-Duty Related Physical Evaluation Board (NDR-PEB).

Q: How many years must the Soldier have to medically retire?

A: 15 "Good Years" at time of counseling, **but less than 20 years creditable service**.

Q: How much time does the Soldier have to make an election?

A: All Soldiers will have a 60-day suspense from the date of the MRDP Counseling to a make an election, if needed. The entire MRDP packet must be completed and sent via ng.ga.gaarmg.list.ngga-mrpd@army.mil by the suspense date. Soldiers electing discharge must elect a date no later than the 60- day suspense.

Q: Can the Soldier request an extension to make an election?

A: If needed, Soldiers/MRNCO can request a one-time 30-day extension from the PM.

Q: What happens if Soldiers do not submit their MRDP packet by the suspense date?

A: If the entire MRDP packet is not received by the suspense date, the Soldier's case will be presented at the INCAP Review Board (IRB) for separation approval based upon the service record on the RPAM statement.

Q: Can the Soldier receive an award?

A: Yes, Per the Georgia Army National Guard (GAARNG) Commanding General's (CG) guidance, all Soldiers who are medically discharged will receive an award or the unit will submit a memorandum detailing why an award was not recommended.