

## **Conducting an Employee Respiratory Protection Evaluation Process: The process by which an employee is medically cleared to wear a respirator**

### **Description**

This process shows an employer how to perform a Respiratory Protection Program that is in compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and Department of Defense (DoD) regulations and standards. This process demonstrates how to medically clear an employee to wear a respirator. The employer shall provide the respirators which are applicable and suitable for the purpose intended. The employer is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of a Respiratory Protection Program that covers each employee who is required to use a respirator.

### **Regulations and Supporting Resources**

[AR 11-34, The Army Respiratory Protection Program](#)

[DA PAM 40-503, Industrial Hygiene Program](#)

[DoD 6055.05M, Occupational Medical Examinations and Surveillance Manual](#)

[OSHA Statute 29 CFR 1910.134, Occupational Safety and Health Standards – Respiratory Protection](#)

[TB MED 509, Occupational and Environmental Health Spirometry in Occupational Health Surveillance](#)

### **Documents and Forms**

[OSHA Statute 29 CFR 1910.134, Appendix C, OSHA Respirator Medical Evaluation Questionnaire \(Mandatory\)](#)

### **Points of Contact**

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