

Federal Railroad Administration

Railroad Safety Advisory Committee

Medical Standards for Safety-Critical Employees

Working Group Report

February 20, 2008



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- Working Group meetings completed**
 - **December 12-13, 2006**
 - **February 20-21, 2007**
 - **May 30-31, 2007**
 - **July 24-25, 2007**
 - **August 29-30, 2007**
 - **October 31-November 1, 2007**
 - **December 4-5, 2007**
 - **February 13-14, 2008**
- Working Group meetings planned**
 - **March 27-27, 2008**
 - **April 24-25, 2008**

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- Task Force on Medical Issues established**
 - Medical Reps from FRA, Labor, AAR**
 - Topics discussed include:**
 - Development of Medical Guidelines,**
 - Handling OTC and Prescription Drug info,**
 - Technical definitions**
 - Triggers for, and content of Exams**
 - Fitness for Duty classifications**

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Task Force on Medical Issues - Meetings held:

- July 24, 2007**
- August 20, 2007**
- September 6-7, 2007**
- October 15, 2007**
- January 16, 2008**
- February 13, 2008**

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Sections discussed to date

§ 2XX.1 Purpose and Scope

§ 2XX.3 Application

§ 2XX.5 Definitions

§ 2XX.7 Coverage.

§ 2XX.9 Employer Responsibilities – Medical fitness for duty programs. *(Ch. 08/31/07)*

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§ 2XX.11 Triggering criteria and medical content of fitness for duty assessments.

§ 2XX.12 Fitness for duty assessment. (New 11/27/07)

§ 2XX.13 Fitness for duty classifications

§ 2XX.15 Medical Guidelines

§ 2XX.17 Employee Responsibilities

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**§ 2XX.19 Required Information, Records and
Record Keeping.** (Ch. 01/25/08)

§ 2XX.21 Medical examination. (Ch. 09/12/07)

[combined with original 2XX.11 for new 2XX.11]

§ 2XX.23 Fitness for duty assessment. (Ch. 09/07/07)

[covered in 2XX.11 2XX.12 and 2XX.13]

§ 2XX.25 Management of Therapeutic Drug Use

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Sections discussed to date (*Changes in title noted*)

**§ 2XX.27 Dispute Resolution - Appeals of
Decisions Regarding Fitness for Duty**

§ 2XX.29 Transferability of Medical Certification

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Sections still to be addressed:

§ 2XX.31 Confidentiality

§ 2XX.33 Access to facilities and records.

§ 2XX.35 Effective Dates

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