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Occupational Health Section

Hazard Communication Training (Hazcom):

Only those work centers identified by Bioenvironmental Engineering (Bio) as needing a Hazcom program are required to have one. If your work center has hazardous chemicals and you are unsure whether or not you should have a Hazcom program in place, please contact Bioenvironmental Engineering @ 556-7721.

Each work center that requires a Hazcom Program shall have a trainer who has attended the Hazcom training in Public Health. It is the **trainer's** responsibility to ensure everyone in the shop is properly trained.

Each shop must also have a written Hazard Communication program in place and it must be reviewed by Public Health.

Please contact Public Health at 556-1225 if you need to schedule Hazcom training or if your written Hazcom program needs to be reviewed.

Occupational Health Exams:

Those active duty members who require Occupational Health Exams shall have them done during their annual Physical Health Assessment (PHA).

PHA's should be done during **the** birth month.

***Active duty members: If you have completed your annual PHA and have not completed your Occupational Health exam, please call to schedule one. (Numbers referenced below.)**

Primary Care 556-2273

Flight Medicine 264-5000

***Civilian employees who require Occupational Health exams or unsure if they require them, call 556-2273 to schedule one.**

****Occupational Hearing Tests are conducted on a walk-in basis M-F from 0800-1600 in the Public Health Clinic****

Fetal Protection:

SUPERVISORS OF ACTIVE DUTY AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES:

Per AFI 44-102, female employees that are employed at the Peterson Complex who become pregnant are required to have a workplace evaluation as soon as possible to identify any hazards that may be harmful to the fetus or pregnant employee. For more information please call 556-1287.

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Deployment Medicine

Pre/Post-Deployment Processing:

Pre-Deployments are done on walk-in basis. (You must have an official tasking to get medical clearance started.)

Post Deployments are to be done within 72 hours of return to Colorado Springs. These are done by appointment only. Please contact Public Health to set up an appointment. If you did not fill out a Post Deployment form, DD2796, in theatre have it filled out prior to your appointment.

Smallpox Vaccination:

Smallpox is done every Thursday at 1300hrs. You must be signed up to attend the briefing and you must have the briefing before getting the shot. Please, have the smallpox questionnaire filled out prior to your appointment.

FYI: (Delete the "Websites should be accesible to public:)

Check out your deployment location –

<http://www.globalsecurity.org/military/facility/afb.htm>

Want to know what the country or region is like where you're going? Go to:

<http://www.cdc.gov/travel/>

Information on Anthrax: <http://www.anthrax.osd.mil/>

Information on Smallpox: <http://www.smallpox.army.mil/>

Information on CENTCOM: <http://www.centcom.mil/links.htm>

(Deployment Regulations: DoDD6490.2, DoDI6490.3, AFI48-101)

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Force Health/Medical Standards Section

DOD Medical Examination Review Board (DODMERB)

References:

AFI 48-123 - *Medical Examination and Medical Standards*

DOD Directive 6130.3 - *Physical Standards for Appointment, Enlistment, of Induction*

DODMERB is responsible for determining if a member is medically qualified for **admission into the Academy**. DODMERB will mail a DD Form 2492 (Report of Medical History) and DD Form 2351 (Report of the Medical Examination) to the individual that is applying to Academy and needs a physical examination. Individual must fill out the forms and bring to the clinic at the time of the appointment.

DODMERB will mail an appointment letter to the servicing Military Treatment Facility (MTF). Force Health Management (FHM) will schedule the individuals listed for an examination with the Primary Care Clinic (PCC). They are usually two appointments a week and usually on a Tuesday. After the physical is complete FHM will complete the final review of all DODMERB examinations and mail the DD Form 2492 and 2351 to HQ DODMERB within 5 business days of the completion of the physical examination.

Initial Flying Class Physicals:

If you are applying for a Flying Class AFSC or a Special Duty Assignment requiring a Flying Class Physical these are the steps that need to be taken.

1. Initial point of entry is MPF; MPF advises regarding physical examination requirement for courses, they will also generate a clearance letter with exam requirements, and refer all the individuals to Force Health Management / Public Health.
2. Individuals need to bring the clearance letter to FHM. FHM will review the medical record of the individual applying for a special duty and/or flying physical IAW AFI 48-123. The review will take anywhere from 4-7 Duty days. FHM will call the individual and schedule the individual for a flying class physical with the Flight Surgeons Office. FHM will give the necessary instructions to the individual that need to be done before the physical examination.
3. After the physical is complete, Flight Surgeon's Office technician will type up the physical. FHM will mail it to the appropriate Head Quarters for Certification.

4. After the Physical is returned from the Head Quarters the patient will be notified to pick up the physical.
5. The whole process might take anywhere from 15 days from the start of the physical up to as long as 2 months depending on individual case. Hold up is usually at the higher headquarters; individual applying needs a waiver or other tests accomplished.

Clearance Letters:

(Letters obtained from MPF or Security Manager for all applications requiring a medical clearance.)

Medical clearances can take up to 7 duty days to accomplish. In addition to the medical clearance we may find additional exams that are required for your clearance letter. For these reasons it is very important you start your medical clearance as soon as you receive your clearance letter.

Your medical record **MUST** be available to us in order to do the clearance. If it is not available it will delay your review process. If your annual Preventive Health Assessment (PHA) is expired, this will also delay the process.

*****If you know your Annual PHA is expired please call Primary Care at 556-CARE (2273) if you are empanelled to Primary Care or Call Tricare at 264-5000 if you are empanelled to Flight Surgeon's office and schedule your annual PHA As Soon As Possible.*****

Attention:

***If you are Separating or Retiring make sure you:

1. Do **NOT** take your medical records to VA until we have done the clearance
2. Bring us your Sep/Ret clearance ASAP because you will require a DD2697 physical. (This can take some time so, schedule this as soon as you can.)

LINKS/REFERENCES:

- AFMAN36-2108
- AFI48-123
- DD2697

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