

Aviation Medical Examiner System

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Established 1927

- **57 licensed physicians**
- **Fees paid by applicants**
- **Trained in flight environment**



AME System 2005

AME total	4,951
• Military	345
• Federal	87
• International	388



AME System 2004

Authority

- **Conduct examinations**
- **Issue, deny, or defer certificates**

Examinations conducted – 442,498



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Designation Requirements

- **Read, write, speak, and understand English**
- **Unrestricted license to practice medicine**
 - MD's and DO's
- **Engaged in practice of medicine**



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Conditions of Designation

- **Competent to perform examinations**
- **Knowledgeable of FAA rules**
- **Personally conduct examinations**
- **Comply with training**
- **Electronically transmit examinations**



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Training Requirements

- **Initial 5-day seminar**
- **Every 3 years following designation**
 - 3-day seminar
 - Computer-based training



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Termination of Designation

- **Failure to perform examinations**
- **Disregard of rules**
- **Failure to comply with training**
- **Unprofessional office**



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Termination of Designation

- **Violation of law**
- **Loss of licensure**
- **Failure to transmit examinations**
- **Careless reporting**



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Quality Oversight

- **Medical Certification Division**
- **Education Division**
- **Regional Flight Surgeons**
- **Medical Specialties Division**

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Questions ?

