Instructions for Medical Questionnaire

NOAA will need to obtain specific medical information to determine your fitness for sea duty, in light of the fact that while at sea you will be far from medical facilities. This information can reduce the possibility of lost mission time due to an at-sea medical emergency, and will provide ready access to essential medical history data in the event of a medical emergency where the individual involved may not be able to speak for herself or himself. You may complete the questionnaire yourself. You do not need a physical exam or a physician to fill out the questionnaire. Please follow these instructions exactly. Failure to do so will delay consideration of your application.

- 1. Complete the entire form through the Signature and Date line on page 3. Do not write anything below the signature line. Use the Continuation Page if you need to explain any of your answers.
- 2. If you take any prescription medicine on a regular basis, or have any chronic illness, please include a note from your physician outlining the condition, the name of the medication, the reason for use, and the stability of your condition. Please have your physician specifically address the potential impact of your inability to take your medicine for the length of your cruise due to seasickness or injury, AND the potential for an adverse event related to your condition.
- 3. Questions concerning completion of the form should be directed to the Health Services staff at either the Atlantic Marine Center (757) 441-6320 or the Pacific Marine Center (206) 553-8704. The information provided will be reviewed by the NOAA Health Services staff to determine fitness for sea duty. NOAA Health Services staff will contact you if any additional information is required.