National Registry II
November 4th, 2015
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• What is NRII?
• What does it look like in practice?
• What does the schedule look like?
Players

- Jurisdictions (States, SDLAs)
- AAMVA (CDLIS, Central Site)
- FMCSA (NR, VOLPE)
- Medical Examiners (ME)
NRII History

• “Follow-on rule” to the Medical Certification Requirements as part of the CDL final rule published December 1, 2008.
• January 30th, 2012 Medical Examiner Certificate (MEC) required (383.71(h))
• CDLIS Mod – CDLIS 5.2
• Docket No. FMCSA–2012–0178
  – Medical Examiner’s Certification Integration
Published April 23\textsuperscript{rd}, 2015

Effective June 22\textsuperscript{nd}, 2015

Purpose

- Electronic Transmission of MEC information from FMCSA’s National Registry to the SDLA’s

State Compliance Date

- June 22\textsuperscript{nd}, 2018
NRRI Benefits

- Administrative Cost Savings
- Reduced potential for falsified MECs
- Safer Roads
NRRII Highlights

- New Forms
- Reporting ‘not qualified’ results
- Reporting by midnight the calendar day after the examination
- Amendments to 383, 384, and 391
- FMCSA transmits MEC to SDLA
Form Changes

- MCSA-5875 Medical Examination Report Form
  - Lots of changes in the layout and questions
  - Many are just changing the layout and format
  - Shouldn’t have a huge impact on jurisdictions assuming they are filled out properly...
  - Not a huge change in content
Form Changes

• MCSA-5850 CMV Driver Medical Examination Results Form
  – This is the form the ME uses to report to NR
  – ME will get this automatically
  – Important information including name and DLN, which will be important to getting the information to the State of Record (SOR)
  – Electronic form for ME – Jurisdictions won’t see this
• MCSA-5876 Medical Examiner Certificate
  – Important changes to this may impact your business rules
  – Added the ‘with any applicable State variances’ clause
  – Added the ‘Grandfathered from State requirements’ checkbox
Medical Examiner's Certificate
(for Commercial Driver Medical Certification)

[Form text]

Medical Examiner's Name (please print or type)

Medical Examiner's State License, Certificate, or Registration Number

Issuing State

National Registry Number

Driver's Signature

Driver's License Number

Issuing State/Province

CLP/CDL Applicant/Holder

Driver's Address

Street Address: 
City: 
State/Province: 
Zip Code: 

Date Certificate Signed

Medical Examiner’s Signature

Medical Examiner’s Telephone Number

Medical Examiner’s Certificate Expiration Date

The information I have provided regarding this physical examination is true and complete. A complete Medical Examination Report Form, MCSA-5875, with any attachments embodies my findings completely and correctly, and is on file in my office.
Reported Status

- Medically Qualified
- Medically Qualified with Variances
- Medically Unqualified
- Medically Qualified with restrictions and/or variances
- Voided
- Rescinded
• ME reports to NR by midnight the day following the examination
• Pending status can be up to 45 days
Amendments

• 383,384 and 391
• 383.71(h)  
  – Changes requirement from applicant providing paper copy to FMCSA providing electronic copy 3 years after effective date of the final rule.

• 383.73(a) – (b)  
  – 3 years after the effective date of the final rule change the requirements that the State post the copy provided by the applicant to instead post the electronic MEC from FMCSA.
• 383.73(o)
  – From 10 calendar days to post the paper MEC to 1 business day to post the electronic MEC (Seeking clarification, Section VII of the Federal Register indicates 1 business day, the rule does not reflect that!)
  – SDLA receives information that the driver has been invalidated because they are not medically qualified in a subsequent medical exam then the State must change the status to ‘not certified’ and begin downgrade
  – Maintain the electronic record of the MEC for 3 years (Data not message/ from issue date)
• 383.73(o) (cont.)
  – Require states to post variance provided by FMCSA (This requirement was previously incorporated by reference from the CDLIS State Procedure Manual under 384.107)
  – Similar to the MEC, the posting of the variance will need to be done within one business day instead of 10 calendar days.
• 384.301 (Substantial compliance)
  – Added a new paragraph explaining the 3 year compliance allowance
• 392.23(m)(2)(i)(A)
  – Fix a reference (383.71(a)(1)(ii) to 383.71(b)(1)(ii)
  – 391.23(m)(2)(i)(B)
    • Eliminate requirement for motor carrier to verify and document in the Driver Qualification (DQ) file that a CDL holder was certified by an ME

• 391.41(a)(2)
  – Eliminate provision for CLP/CDL driver to carry a current MEC for 15 days
• 391.43(f)  
  – Remove instructions for performing and recording physical examinations

• 391.43(g)(2)  
  – Eliminate requirement to provide MEC to drivers required to have CLP/CDL (must still provide to non CDL drivers and requesting employers)

• 391.43(g)  
  – 2 new paragraphs.
  – One requiring the ME to notify the driver when there is a determination of not medically qualified and that it will be reported to FMCSA.
• 391.43(g) (cont.)
  – 2nd paragraph requires the ME to notify the driver if more information is required to make a determination. (This is the 45 day pending status)

• 391.43(g)(5)(i)(B)
  – Will require the ME to report exam results by midnight the day following the exam using the electronic form (MCSA-5850)
• 391.43(g)(5)(ii)  
  – Will require ME to report to FMCSA any exams not completed in the preceding 30 days

• 391.43(h)  
  – Requires ME’s to use new MEC MCSA-5876

• 391.45  
  – Previous MEC’s for a driver determined to be not medically qualified will be invalid. New paragraph requires driver to be medically examined and certified before driving a CMV after previous certifications have been invalidated.
391.51(b)(7)

- Eliminate the exception that allows motor carriers to use an MEC as proof of medical certification in the DQ file since States will be required to record the med cert information.
Transmission

- ME to NR
- NR to SDLA
- SDLA ‘pulls’ from NR
NR to SDLA

National Registry

AAMVA
Verifying the Driver

AAMVA

MPR found?

If so, lets let NR know they have the right information to forward the MEC.

If not, lets query the State of Record and see if we can find the driver. If we do find them then we can let NR know and they can forward the MEC.

Still no luck? Sorry NR, we can’t find them.
Sending the MEC
Driver Not Verified

National Registry

Request

MEC

IOWA
The System.

- Transactions will be supported through AMIE and NIEM standards
- CDLIS is the primary application
- PDPS will be a part of the verification process
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Important Dates

• December 22, 2015
  – Switching to new forms
  – Determination Pending

• June 22, 2018
  – Implementation deadline
Worth Noting...

- Timeliness of the specifications...
- Impact on States should be as minimal as possible.
- The forms used as 12/22 have to be the new forms!
Questions?

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