The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) is establishing a National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners to perform physical examinations for persons who wish to obtain a license to drive a commercial motor vehicle (CMV).

**Beginning May 21, 2014, all medical certificates issued on or after this date must be issued only by examiners listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners.**

Healthcare professionals who wish to conduct medical examinations for interstate or intrastate CMV drivers must complete training on FMCSA’s physical qualifications regulations and advisory criteria, and pass a certification test to be listed on the National Registry.

Healthcare professionals are eligible to apply for medical examiner certification if their scope of practice authorizes them to perform physical examinations as defined by the state in which they practice. Professionals authorized to perform physical examinations for commercial motor vehicle drivers must have one of the following degrees:

- Advanced Practice Nurse (APN)
- Doctor of Medicine (MD)
- Physician’s Assistant (PA)
- Doctor of Chiropractic (DC)
- Doctor of Osteopathy (DO)
- Other health care professional authorized by his/her state to perform physical examinations

All medical examiners who conduct physical examinations for interstate or intrastate commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers meet the following criteria:

- Complete certain training concerning FMCSA's physical qualification standards
- Pass a test to verify an understanding of those standards
- Maintain and demonstrate competence through periodic training and testing

Further information may be found at [http://nrme.fmcsa.dot.gov/](http://nrme.fmcsa.dot.gov/)