

~FAILURE POLICY- Initial Certification

Those who have failed the initial certification examination may, upon timely re-application, be admitted to one re-examination within a 12-month period for a \$95 reprocessing fee. Requests for re-examination must be made in writing and received in the MROCC office 30 days prior to the examination date requested. Requests are contingent upon space availability. Upon failure of a second examination, a candidate must submit a new application and payment (\$495) for a third examination opportunity, along with evidence of completion of additional training as described under the Eligibility heading.

~FAILURE POLICY - Recertification

Those who have failed the recertification exam may, upon timely re-application, be admitted to two re-examinations within a 12-month period without an additional examination fee. Upon failure of a 3rd examination attempt, a candidate must submit a new application and payment (\$395 onsite exam) for a 4th exam opportunity, along with evidence of completion of additional training as described under the recertification Eligibility heading.

~CHEATING AND REVOCATION POLICIES

View the full cheating and revocation policies on the MROCC web site at www.mrocc.org/cheating.htm

To sit for the MROCC certification examination, a physician must meet all DOT MRO requirements that are current on the date of the examination. Certification shall be valid for the period specified by MROCC at the time of the examination (currently 6 years) so long as the physician continues to be eligible to conduct the MRO functions under DOT regulations and continues to possess a valid medical license.

Certification shall be revoked if the physician becomes ineligible to perform MRO duties in DOT regulated drug testing programs. Certification may be revoked following conviction for a criminal offense. All MROCC certified physicians are responsible for notifying MROCC within 30 days of becoming ineligible to perform MRO duties, or receiving notice of an adverse licensing action which affects one's ability

to function as an MRO in DOT regulated drug testing programs.

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- American Academy of Clinical Toxicology and American College of Medical Toxicology
- American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- American Society of Addiction Medicine
- American Medical Association
- College of American Pathologists

~EXAMINATION DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The MROCC examination development committee is appointed by the MROCC Board of Directors and is made up of recognized leaders in workplace drug and alcohol testing selected from the fields of substance abuse, occupational medicine, toxicology and the legal profession.

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Candidates who have taken the onsite MROCC examination will be notified of their results within 60 days of the examination date and awarded an individually numbered **verification of certification** notice. A directory of certified MROs is supplied to State DOT agencies and medical licensing boards, as well as to SAMHSA-Certified Labs, State Chambers of Commerce and other interested parties, and is searchable from the MROCC web site.

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~MROCC CERTIFICATION

MROCC, formed in 1992 to set a professional standard of excellence for medical review officers (MROs), recognizes competence of those physicians who have developed specialized knowledge and are proficient in the performance of the essential duties of the MRO.

The MROCC examination is recognized within medical and business communities and regulatory agencies as the ultimate measure of achievement for MROs.

The Certified Medical Review Officer is an expert in drug and alcohol testing and the application of federal regulations to the process. When called upon, the MRO also serves as a consultant to business, industry, labor, government or academia on issues relating to prevention, detection and control of drug abuse in the workplace.

MROCC's three-fold objective is to develop and conduct an examination and certification program to identify licensed physicians who have had appropriate medical training to properly interpret and evaluate drug test results; to promote and preserve the highest professional standards among MRO; and to promote the interests of certified MROs.

~EXAMINATION DESCRIPTION

Under the direction of Wayne State University, the process of exam development has followed a comprehensive plan to ensure relevance, validity and reliability. Leading experts in educational measurement, evaluation and psychometrics have provided guidance to the process.

The MROCC exam has been designed to measure that scope of knowledge and those practical skills that the MRO applies in fulfilling the professional responsibilities of workplace drug tests.

The exam consists of multiple choice and matching type items, distributed by content area according to the examination blueprint. Intermingling recall (recognition), simple interpretation (analysis), and problem solving (evaluation) type questions, the subjects include Chemical Dependency (10%), MRO

Role and Responsibilities (40%), Toxicology, Pharmacology & Lab Issues (15%), Clinical Aspects (20%) and Collections and procedures (15%).

~CONFIDENTIALITY

Review of credentials for MROCC certification is completely confidential and privacy is protected. Confidential information is never sold or given to outside entities. A Directory of certified physicians is published online. This listing assists employers and others in need of MRO services in identifying physicians who are MROCC certified.

~TRAINING COURSES

MROCC offers a certification examination in coordination with MRO training courses sponsored by the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM) and the American Society of addiction Medicine (ASAM) separate registration for training courses is required.

For course information and registration contact ACOEM at 1114 North Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Tel (847) 818-1800. www.acoem.org or ASAM at 4601 North Park Avenue, Suite 101-Upper Arcade, Chevy Chase, MD 20815. Tel (301) 656-3920. www.asam.org

~INITIAL CERTIFICATION - \$495 (six years)

MROCC's certification is based upon the Federal requirements developed by the Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Transportation for federal drug testing programs which state the MRO must have a Medical Degree or Degree of Osteopathic Medicine. This requirement has been adopted by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of Transportation for their mandatory drug-testing programs.

Each applicant for initial certification is required to meet three specific prerequisites:

- ♦ Graduation from an approved medical school or school of osteopathic medicine
- ♦ Current licensure to practice medicine
- ♦ Evidence of completion, during the 24 months preceding the exam, of a minimum of 12 category 1 CME hours of approved MRO training covering the

examination content area. Courses by ACOEM, ASAM or AAMRO may be eligible.

~RECERTIFICATION - \$395 onsite or \$495 Online

On-going developments in the rapidly changing arena require a certification time limit. Therefore, certification is valid for a six-year period following date of issuance, at which time certification expires. Nine months prior to the expiration date of the current certificate, the MROCC office will, by mail, notify the physician of the upcoming expiration of his or her certificate, and the need – and procedures required – for recertification.

Requirements for recertification include:

- ♦ Previous MRO certification by MROCC or AAMRO
- ♦ Current licensure to practice medicine
- ♦ Evidence of completion, during the 36 months preceding the MROCC examination, of a minimum of 12 category 1 CME credit hours of approved MRO training. These credit hours may be obtained from onsite MRO training courses, or by approved online training, journal reading and/or other MRO distance learning tools offering category 1 CME credit
- ♦ Successful completion and passage of the then-current MROCC exam.

~FEES, TRANSFERS AND CANCELLATIONS

The Initial certification examination fee of \$495 and the Recertification examination fee of \$395 or \$495 includes a \$95 non-refundable processing fee. Government vouchers will be accepted upon request, but results will not be mailed until full payment is received. Requests for a cancellation refund or transfer must be made in writing and received in the MROCC office no later than 14 days before the currently registered exam date. No refunds will be made after this date. Requests to transfer to another exam after this date will be charged \$95.

Completed applications, full documentation and payment must be received in the MROCC office 14 days prior to an examination date to avoid the late processing fee of \$25.00