- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of Proposed Collection: This electronic collection records medical information necessary to determine whether visa applicants have medical conditions affecting the applicant's eligibility for a visa.

Methodology: Approved panel physicians will be granted access to an eMedical system by the Department of State, to conduct medical examinations for visa eligibility determinations. During the initial rollout, some immigrant visa applicants with a completed and submitted DS-260, Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration will have their medical exam results submitted to the Department via the eMedical system. The panel physician will input the exam information into the eMedical portal and it will be transmitted to the Department for visa adjudication and retained in the Department's systems. The Department anticipates a full rollout of the electronic medical report by the end of 2018. During the transition to eMedical, some applicants' medical exams will be completed via paper forms.

In the paper version of the forms (OMB 1405–0113), the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) usually provides the results of visa applicant medical examinations to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). As the Department transitions to the electronic environment, the information from the medical examinations will be provided directly to CDC and DHS for uses relevant to their respective roles in the admission process and statutory

missions. This change will promote efficiency in the process.

#### Karin King,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice 10220]

# 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: FLO Professional Development Fellowship (PDF) Application

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

summary: The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

**DATES:** Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to January 12, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- Email: oira\_submission@ omb.eop.gov. You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.
- *Fax:* 202–395–5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Ramona Sandoval, 2201 C Street NW, Washington, DC, who may be reached on 202–647–1076 or at sandovalrm@state.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- Title of Information Collection: FLO Professional Development Fellowship (PDF) Application.
  - OMB Control Number: None.
  - Type of Request: New Collection.
- Originating Office: Bureau of Human Resources, Family Liaison Office (HR/FLO).

- Form Number: DS-4297.
- Respondents: The PDF program is open to spouses and partners of directhire U.S. government employees from all agencies serving under Chief of Mission authority at U.S. embassies and consulates overseas.
- Estimated Number of Respondents: 260.
- Estimated Number of Responses: 260.
- Average Time per Response: 2.75 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time*: 715 annual hours.
  - Frequency: Annually.
- Obligation to Respond: Required to Obtain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

# **Abstract of Proposed Collection**

FLO needs the information collected in the PDF application to determine who will receive a Professional Development Fellowship. The information is provided to selection committees that use a set of criteria to score the applications. Respondents are spouses and partners of direct-hire U.S. government employees from all agencies serving overseas under Chief of Mission who want to maintain, enhance, and/or develop professional skills while overseas. The information is sought pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2651a-Organization of the Department of State, 22 U.S.C. 3921-Management of the Foreign Service.

#### Methodology

Applicants will email the completed application to FLO's PDF program manager.

#### Susan Frost,

Director, Family Liaison Office, Bureau of Human Resources, Department of State. [FR Doc. 2017–26827 Filed 12–12–17; 8:45 am]

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

Random Drug and Alcohol Testing Percentage Rates of Covered Aviation Employees for the Period of January 1, 2018, Through December 31, 2018

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The FAA has determined that the minimum random drug and alcohol testing percentage rates for the period January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, will remain at 25 percent of safety-sensitive employees for random drug testing and 10 percent of safety-sensitive employees for random alcohol testing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Vicky Dunne, Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division, Program Policy Branch (AAM–820), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Room 806, Washington, DC 20591; Telephone (202) 267–8442.

Discussion: Pursuant to 14 CFR 120 .109(b), the FAA Administrator's decision on whether to change the minimum annual random drng testing rate is based on the reported random drug test positive rate for the entire aviation industry. If the reported random drug test positive rate is less than 1.00%, the Administrator may continue the minimum random drug testing rate at 25%. In 2016, the random drug test positive rate was 0.610%. Therefore, the minimum random drug testing rate will remain at 25% for calendar year 2018.

Similarly, 14 CFR 120.2 17(c), requires the decision on the minimum annual random alcohol testing rate to be based on the random alcohol test violation rate. If the violation rate remains less than 0.50%, the Administrator may continue the minimum random alcohol testing rate at 10%. In 2016, the random alcohol test violation rate was 0.121%. Therefore, the minimum random alcohol testing

rate will remain at 10% for calendar vear 2018.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** If you have questions about how the annual random testing percentage rates are determined please refer to the Code of Federal Regulations Title 14, section 120 .109(b) (for drug testing), and 120.217(c) (for alcohol testing).

#### Michael A. Berry,

Federal Air Surgeon.

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# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# Federal Aviation Administration [Summary Notice No. 2017–87]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Mr. James Giancola

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, the FAA's exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

**DATES:** Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before January 2, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments identified by docket number FAA–2017–1037 using any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Send comments to Docket Operations, M–30; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12–140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001.
- Hand Delivery or Courier: Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

• *Fax:* Fax comments to Docket Operations at 202–493–2251.

Privacy: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking

process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <a href="http://www.dot.gov/privacy">http://www.dot.gov/privacy</a>.

Docket: Background documents or comments received may be read at http://www.regulations.gov at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Keira Jones (202) 267–6109, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591.

This notice is published pursuant to 14 CFR 11.85.

#### Dale Bouffiou.

Deputy Director, Office of Rulemaking.

#### **Petition for Exemption**

Docket No.: FAA-2017-1037.

Petitioner: James Giancola.

Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected:

§ 61.155(d), § 61.156, SFAR No. 100-2.

Description of Relief Sought: The petitioner seeks an exemption from the requirement of § 61.155(d) to allow him to complete the practical test for the airline transport pilot certificate beyond 24 months from the month in which the knowledge test was successfully completed.

The petitioner also seeks an exemption from the requirement of § 61.155(d) that an applicant who passes the knowledge test prior to August 1, 2014, but fails to successfully complete the airplane category with a multiengine class rating practical test within 24 months must complete the airline transport pilot certification training program specified in § 61.156 and retake the knowledge test prior to applying for the airplane category with a multiengine class rating practical test.

The petitioner seeks an exemption from the requirement of SFAR 100–2, Para 2(c) authorizing Flight Standards District Offices to accept an expired written test report to show eligibility under 14 CFR part 61 to take a practical test if the eligible person completes the appropriate practical test within 6 calendar months after returning to the United States.

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