

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to this ME update.

People on the move

Judi Te Huia, our Aviation Medicine Team Leader will be leaving us on 29 January 2016 to further her career. Judi has been with CAA since 2001 and is a very important figure within the Aviation Medicine team.

Temporary staff member *Jessie Norris*, recently returned to the UK to undertake university studies.

Adam Lovick and *Josie Sheriff* will be with us on a temporary basis whilst CAA undertake the recruitment process of filling AvMed vacancies.

E-mails to CAA Aviation Medicine Team:

Please use med@caa.govt.nz to ensure that your mail will be attended to and tracked.

Medical Manual

Four chapters are available on the CAA website. These are Ophthalmology, ENT, Respiratory and Neurology. The current web versions are still drafts. Those chapters have been finalised but are waiting to go through an internal process prior to publication. Meanwhile you may refer to the drafts. You are very welcome to ask questions and make suggestions if anything is unclear. We are currently working on the cardiology chapter.

Rule 61.35

This stipulates that a person who holds a pilot licence issued in accordance with this Part [Rule Part 67] must not exercise the privileges of the licence, unless—

- (1) the person—
 - (i) in the case of a private pilot licence, holds at least a current class 2 medical certificate issued under the Act; and
 - (ii) in the case of a commercial or senior commercial pilot licence and an airline transport pilot licence, holds a current class 1 medical certificate issued under the Act; and
 - (iii) **is complying with all the conditions, restrictions and endorsements on the medical certificate.**

CAA has identified a number of cases where the prescribed surveillance has not taken place in a timely fashion, or not at all.

The flight safety or financial consequences of such non-compliance may be dear as flying becomes illegal.

You can assist CAA and your applicant by emphasizing to your clients the provisions of this Rule. In summary non-compliance in a timely fashion = No flying.

CAA - CME meeting – advance notice

The CAA is intending to plan a CME on 9 September to coincide with the AMSNZ conference on 10 and 11 September 2016. Details to be confirmed at a later date.

This is currently scheduled to take place at the CAA in Wellington.

Other education meetings in 2016 that may be of interest to you are: Description	Date / location
ASMA	24 - 28 April Atlantic City – USA
AMSNZ / CAA Day	2 – 4 September CAA
ESAM	15 – 18 September Oslo
ASAM	15 – 18 September Townsville - Gold Coast
ICASM	6 – 10 November Delhi

Christmas period:

The CAA will be closed between Christmas and New Year. We will have reduced staff availability between 20 December and 18 January as some of us will take annual leave. We will do our best to minimise delays during this period but extra processing times are inevitable.



The Aviation Medicine Team wish you all a very happy festive season and successful year 2016.