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To: Group Managers

From: Director, Office of Fire and Aviation

Subject: Fire Physical Needs for Firefighters (Arduous)

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Instruction Memorandum No. OF&A 2001-011 provided policy and guidance for implementation of health screening and medical examination requirements.

The element requiring employee medical examination is stated as:

“All permanent, career-seasonal, temporary, and student career experience program employees who participate in wildland or prescribed fire activities requiring a fitness level of **arduous** must have a pre-employment medical examination to determine their suitability prior to their entry on duty. Thereafter, employees 40 years of age and older must have a physical every three years or as indicated by the Health Screen Questionnaire.”

Please survey your employees and provide a list of those employees needing a fire physical medical examination to Stan Palmer, NIFC Safety and Health Manager, by Friday, April 12, 2002. If the employee turns 40 by July 1, 2002, include them on the list.

Arrangements have been made with Primary Health to provide this examination. The consolidated list will be provided to them authorizing the examinations. The employees will use their Government Purchase Cards for payment. Those not having purchasing authority will charge their examination to NIFC-BLM.

Questions may be referred to Stan Palmer at 387-5507.

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