

**Adams and Jefferson County Hazardous Response Authority
FIELD OPERATING GUIDELINES**

PRE-ENTRY / POST-ENTRY MEDICAL EVALUATIONS

F.O.G. #: 1500

CATEGORY: Pre-Entry/Post-Entry Medical Evaluations

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I. Purpose:

- A. To define guidelines for pre-entry and post-entry medical evaluations.

II. Guideline:

- A. Pre-entry and post-entry medical evaluations SHALL be conducted in order to ensure the suitability of responders to enter the contaminated environment while wearing required chemical protective clothing or PPE. Post entry evaluations are performed to ensure that responders who have entered the PPE and contaminated areas have been effectively evaluated and are medically cleared before leaving the scene and returning to regular duties.

- 1. The Medical Officer SHALL ensure that all hazardous materials team members who are entering PPE have completed the PRE-ENTRY Medical Evaluation requirements.

- a) These criteria have been established to ensure the safety of the responders. Responders should understand that if they do not meet the criteria for entry they should NOT enter PPE or the contaminated zones.

- 2. The Medical Officer SHALL ensure that all hazardous materials team members who have exited the contaminated zones or who were placed into PPE have completed the POST-ENTRY Medical Evaluation requirements.

- a) AJCHRA members who exceed the acceptable criteria outlined on the medical evaluation forms after being in PPE shall be directed to remain in a designated area for evaluation until they meet the criteria of the post entry evaluation.

- B. The Hazardous Materials Response Team Medical Evaluation Forms are contained within **APPENDIX C**.

III. References:

- A. **APPENDIX C**