

Aviation Group Client Update

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FAA TRANSITIONS TO ELECTRONIC AIRMAN MEDICAL CERTIFICATION

Today, the FAA provided notice that it intends to discontinue use of the paper version of FAA Form 8500-8, Application for Airman Medical Certificate, used to apply for FAA medical certification. In 2007, the FAA launched an online FAA Form 8500-8 known as "FAA MedXpress."

FAA MedXpress enables applicants to complete Form 8500-8 prior to an appointment with an Aviation Medical Examiner (AME). An AME may access the applicant's completed Form 8500-8 through MedXpress and use it to record results, complete the medical examination, and issue the medical certificate. FAA MedXpress is similar to the Integrated Airman Certification and/or Rating Application (IACRA) system used for airman certification.

On October 1, 2012, the paper version will no longer be available. Meanwhile, applicants are encouraged to use FAA MedXpress

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