

AASI for Mitral Valve Disease

Mitral Regurgitation; Mitral Insufficiency; Mitral Valve Prolapse (MVP)
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AME Assisted Special Issuance (AASI) is a process that provides AMEs the ability to re-issue an airman medical certificate under the provisions of an Authorization for Special Issuance of a Medical Certificate (Authorization) to an applicant who has a medical condition that is disqualifying under Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 67.

An FAA physician provides the initial certification decision and grants the Authorization in accordance with 14 CFR § 67.401. The Authorization letter is accompanied by attachments that specify the information that treating physician(s) must provide for the re-issuance determination. If this is a first-time application for an AASI for the above disease/condition, and the applicant has all the requisite medical information necessary for a determination, the AME must defer and submit all of the documentation to the AMCD or RFS for the initial determination.

AMEs may re-issue an airman medical certificate under the provisions of an Authorization, if the applicant provides the following:

- An Authorization granted by the FAA;
- A detailed Clinical Progress Note from the treating **cardiologist** describing current clinical findings, any symptoms, new arrhythmia, development of a severe murmur or any severe valve regurgitation, valve insufficiency or valve prolapse or if surgery is recommended; and
- A current 2-D echocardiogram (**Echo**) with Doppler performed within the last 90 days.

The AME must defer to the AMCD or Region if:

- New symptoms occur; OR
- An arrhythmia develops; OR
- The treating physician or AME reports a severe murmur; OR
- Echo report identifies SEVERE Valve Regurgitation, Valve Insufficiency or Valve Prolapse.