

Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
FAST TRACK - FAA ADHD EVALUATION
INFORMATION FOR THE PSYCHOLOGIST OR NEUROPSYCHOLOGIST
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FOR PILOTS OR ATCS: Provide this information sheet (prior to your appointment) to the psychologist or neuropsychologist who will be evaluating your history of ADHD and/or use of ADHD medication. The psychologist or neuropsychologist must be a doctoral level (PhD or PsyD) licensed psychologist or neuropsychologist with training and experience in the evaluation of ADHD.

Note: These requirements also apply if you were diagnosed with or took medication to treat Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD).

FOR THE PSYCHOLOGIST OR NEUROPSYCHOLOGIST:

The individual you are evaluating is a pilot or air traffic control specialist (ATCS) with a reported history of ADHD and/or use of ADHD medications*. Your findings will assist in determining this individual's eligibility for an FAA medical certificate or clearance. Acceptance of this case for evaluation assumes you have the necessary training and experience to conduct an ADHD evaluation.

PLEASE NOTE:

- National Transportation and Safety Board (NTSB) investigations (2000-2015) have concluded that fatal aircraft accidents have been associated with pilots diagnosed with ADHD.
- Pilots and ATCS must adhere to specific aviation medical standards. Your assessment will assist the FAA in identifying and mitigating risks. As you conduct the evaluation, consider the safety of the flying public as well as those on the ground.
- Individuals with a history of ADHD may have a persistent pattern of inattention and/or hyperactivity-impulsivity symptoms which may interfere with aviation safety. This may present as:
 - Compromised focused attention/concentration and/or executive skills;
 - Problems with verbal and nonverbal working memory; and
 - Issues with planning, mental flexibility, and resistance to distractions.
- Prior to accepting this case, please review the following documents which contain detailed instructions for conducting an ADHD evaluation for FAA medical certification and clearance purposes:
 - [ADHD Document Checklist](#) (To be provided by the individual prior to appointment.)
 - [Fast Track – FAA ADHD Evaluation Report Requirements](#)
 - [Fast Track – FAA ADHD Summary](#)
- Follow-up questions or concerns may be sent to 9-AMC-AAM-NPTesting@faa.gov.