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Ref: Releases of Medical Information for CDL License

Local Chairmen and Recording Secretaries: Local 8, 9, 19, 24, 34, 39, 43, 72, 85, 92, 98, 99, 104, 108, 111, 126, 130, 132, 141, 152, 153, 155, 157, 168, 174, 179, 182, 206, and 229

We have been informed that when a member applies for a CDL the carrier gives the applicant a booklet to be used when the member applies for the CDL. In this booklet there is a section which when signed gives the member's consent to release his medical information. There is no need for the member to sign this section to obtain a CDL. It is recommended for the member **not** to sign the release.

If a member is directed to obtain a CDL, the member needs to comply with the direction, but the member does not need to give consent for his/her medical information to be released. The member would go to the doctor for a medical examination. The doctor determines if the member is physically fit for a CDL. If the member is physically fit the doctor will sign the medical card. If the member is not physically fit the doctor will not sign the medical card. There is no need for any medical information to be released. The member takes the medical card to the driver-licensing agency to finish obtaining the CDL.

Discuss this at your Local meeting. Any questions on this matter call any General Committee officer.

Respectfully,

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