

# How to Become a QME

- **Q. How do I become a QME? How do I register for the test?**
- **A.** To become a QME, you must meet the requirements that are listed in Labor Code section [139.2](#). If you meet these requirements, you should submit a completed application form to the Division of Workers' Compensation Medical Unit. You also must submit a test registration form. Prior to becoming a QME you have to pass the QME competency exam. **Tests are scheduled twice a year in April and Oct.** Upon passing the test and paying the QME annual fee, you will be a certified QME. (Labor Code § [139.2\(b\)\(n\)](#), 8 CCR § [10](#)). Prior to appointment as a QME, a physician is **required to take a 25-hour course about writing medical legal reports.** (8 CCR § [11.5](#))
- **Q. What is the deadline for submitting my application and registration form?**
- **A.** A properly completed application for appointment and an exam registration form must be received, or postmarked, **45 calendar days prior to the date of the exam.** (8 CCR § [11\(f\)\(4\)](#))

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- **Q. Is there a fee to take the QME exam?**
- **A. Yes. There is a \$125 fee to take or retake the exam. (8 CCR § 11 (f) (2))**
  
- **Q. What is the annual fee to be a QME?**
- **A. The annual fee is \$250 if you performed 25 or more comprehensive medical-legal evaluations in the year prior to assessment of the fee.**
- **If you performed 11-24 examinations, the annual fee is \$125.**
- **If you performed 0-10, the fee is \$110.**
- **This fee is for one office location.**
- **If you wish to have additional locations, the fee is \$100 for each additional location. (Labor Code § 139.2 (n), 8 CCR § 17)**