Drug Testing Regulations ~ DTAB

We Need Your Help!

After years, the Drug Testing Advisory Board (DTAB) is in the final stages of making recommendations for how to test current employees and new job applicants for drugs. Two proposals are up for review: one for urine testing and one for oral fluids (saliva). Currently there is nothing in either regulation that speaks to the issue of paruresis, let alone having accommodations for those with paruresis. We urge you to make a comment to improve these regulations for people with paruresis.

Here's how you can help...

Send a comment to the Drug Testing Advisory Board - (DTAB) supporting regulation changes for the following two regulations:


Deadline to submit your comment is July 14, 2015!

You may submit comments in one of four ways. The easiest way is electronically. Here are the instructions to make a comment electronically.

Link to comment on Urine Testing regulations

Link to comment on Oral Fluid Specimen regulations

1. Click on one of the links above.
2. Near the right hand side of screen click on the "Comment Now!" button
3. Make your comment
4. Enter your name (you can choose to be anonymous if you want)
5. Check the box "I want to provide my contact information" Enter: zip code and email address
6. Do choose to receive an email receipt, and do keep a record of your receipt number so you can check when it is posted. You can read your post by going to www.regulations.gov, and just entering
If you would like to see all four ways you can submit a comment use the following links to view the entire PDF file:


2) Oral Fluid Specimen Regulations (94 FR 28054 - May 15, 2015)

Here is an example of what you can comment to support changes to improve drug testing for those with paruresis:

**Urine Testing Regulation**
The proposed regulations for Urine testing do not mention paruresis, a medical condition which inhibits a person from producing urine on demand. Ten percent of Americans have this condition. I'm sure the federal government wants to seek the largest group of qualified applicants, and to retain the largest number of qualified employees. Please ensure that even people with paruresis can work for the federal government by including a clear statement that having paruresis automatically means that non-urine testing will be provided.

**Oral Fluid Testing Regulation**
The proposed regulations for Oral Fluids testing do not mention paruresis, a medical condition which inhibits a person from producing urine on demand. Ten percent of Americans have this condition. I'm sure the federal government wants to seek the largest group of qualified applicants, and to retain the largest number of qualified employees. Please ensure that even people with paruresis can work for the federal government by including a clear statement that having paruresis automatically means that non-urine testing will be provided.

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