

2-3. ESTABLISHING MEDICAL STANDARDS FOR POSITIONS THAT PREDOMINATE IN A SINGLE AGENCY

a. Agency authority.

(1) After receiving approval of medical standards from the Office of the Secretary as provided in 1-3. b., operating administrations are delegated the authority to issue such approved medical standards through their own internal directives systems.

(2) Requests for approval of medical standards should be sent to the Departmental Director of Personnel and must include the following:

- title, series, and grade(s) of covered positions;
- approximate number of positions covered by the standard;
- description of duties, including a representative sample of official position descriptions of journeyman level positions;
- evidence that the duties of the positions meet the requirements of 5 CFR 339.202 and FPM Chapter 339, Section 2-3;
- identification of the physical requirements of the positions, with specific identification of the duties in the position description(s) that establish those physical requirements;
- justification for the specific medical standards that are proposed; and
- procedures for waiving the standards as provided in Section 2-1 (c) of the FPM.