

Policy: Fitness-For-Duty Examination	Policy No: 1-1.7
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- I. <u>POLICY</u>: The University may require a Fitness–For-Duty examination for applicants or current employees.
- **II. <u>PURPOSE</u>**: To ensure employees are physically and/or mentally able to perform the essential functions of their position and can do so without jeopardizing the safety or health of themselves or others in the workplace.
- **III. <u>SCOPE</u>**: All employees of John Carroll University.

## IV. <u>DEFINITION:</u>

**Fitness-For-Examination:** A Fitness-For-Duty Examination is a University provided evaluation by a health care provider to determine if an individual is physically and/or mentally able to perform the essential functions of a position.

## V. PROCEDURES:

- A. The University may require a Fitness-For-Duty Examination to the extent permissible under state and federal law to determine restrictions and limitations regarding the performance of essential functions of a job. This examination may occur after a conditional offer of employment, before beginning employment and for specific job categories.
- B. The University may require a Fitness-For-Duty Examination for existing employees under the following circumstances consistent with state and federal law:
  - 1. to determine whether the employee can perform the essential functions of their job and whether the employee imposes a threat to the health and/or safety to themselves or others.
  - 2. when an individual is returning from a sickness or injury or states that she or he is unable to perform certain functions of a position.

- 3. when the employee's management has concerns that the employee is physically or mentally unable to perform the essential functions of the position.
- 4. when an employee's health care provider provides insufficient information related to a return from leave.
- C. All Fitness-For-Duty examinations must be coordinated through the Human Resources Department.
- D. The University may consider additional information that is submitted by the employee related to the Fit-For-Duty examination.