

This page provides an abstract, justification, and target dates for a potential rule that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has prioritized in its Common Prioritization of Rulemaking listing.

Please visit the [Rulemaking Priorities](#) page on the NRC's public Web site for additional information about this page and to view the entire Common Prioritization of Rulemaking listing.

<b>Fitness-for-Duty (Health and Human Services (HHS) Requirements) (Rev. 2)</b>				
<b>Abstract</b>				
This rule would align 10 CFR Part 26 drug testing requirements with the guidelines issued by HHS. This rulemaking would strengthen the fitness-for-duty programs at nuclear power plants (and other Nuclear Regulatory Commission licensees and applicants) by testing for additional illegal drugs, lowering drug testing cutoffs, and enhancing the effectiveness of reviews conducted by Medical Review Officers.				
<b>Justification</b>				
The rule scores 34 points (11, 10, 8, 5) because of the following reasons: A) Moderate contributor to the safety goal (strategies 1 and 4); B) Significant contributor to the regulatory effectiveness goal (Strategies 1, 2, and 3); C) Significant contributor to one or more considerations (significant regulatory gap and future regulatory benefit); and D) Significant public interest.				
<b>Start Dates</b>	<b>Reg Basis Completed</b>	<b>PR Sent to Comm/EDO</b>	<b>FR Sent to Comm/EDO</b>	<b>Publication Date</b>
09/01/2012	07/01/2013	03/31/2016	03/31/2017	09/31/2017