

SYNCOPE
All Classes
(Updated 03/27/2024)

DISEASE/CONDITION	EVALUATION DATA	DISPOSITION
<p>A. Simple, known cause* (e.g., blood draw)</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Completely resolved</p> <p>*May be single or multiple events from known cause.</p>	<p>The AME should gather information regarding the diagnosis, severity, treatment, symptoms, and address ALL of the questions on the Syncope Decision Tool for the AME.</p> <p>If an underlying cause is found, or if from head injury or associated with drugs or alcohol, see that section.</p>	<p>If ALL items on the Syncope Decision Tool are in the “NO”/clear column, the AME may:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ISSUE</p> <p>Summarize this history and annotate Block 60 with “Discussed the history of SYNCOPE, no positives to screening questions, and no concerns.”</p> <p>If any “YES” answers, any AME concerns, or unable to verify history - go to Row B.</p>
<p>B. Unknown or unexplained cause</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Multiple unrelated syncopal events</p> <p>If due to a cardiac cause such as myocardial infarction or ischemia, see that page</p>	<p>Submit the following for FAA review:</p> <p>Testing must be performed within the past 90 days to be considered current.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardiac Evaluation; • Echocardiogram (Echo); • Exercise Stress Test (EST); • 14-day Holter (event) monitor; • Lab: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hemoglobin A1c (preferred) or fasting blood sugar ○ Lipid panel ○ Complete Blood Count • EMS/ambulance run sheet (if applicable); • Emergency Department records (if applicable); and • If age 40 or older at time of event, a carotid duplex ultrasound performed within the previous one (1) year. 	<div style="background-color: red; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <p style="text-align: center;">DEFER</p> <p>Submit the information to the FAA for a possible Special Issuance.</p>

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<p>C. Unexplained syncope AFTER a cardiac evaluation has been performed (and no cardiac cause found)</p>	<p>Submit the following for FAA review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Items in Row B • A current, detailed neurological evaluation that meets FAA Specifications for Neurologic Evaluation generated from a clinic visit with the treating neurologist no more than 90 days before the AME exam. <p>Note: If no definitive cause for syncope (e.g., unexplained loss of consciousness), a two (2) year recovery period is required.</p> <p>If head injury occurred, see that page.</p>	<p>DEFER</p> <p>Submit the information to the FAA.</p>