Drug and Alcohol Testing Update

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- Grantees required to conduct pre-employment, reasonable suspicion, random, and post-accident testing of public transportation employees responsible for safety-sensitive functions.

- Random Drug Testing Rate – 25%

- Random Alcohol Testing Rate – 10%
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- Section 5331 of MAP21 maintains the authority for the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to establish this program.

- This section includes the definitions, program, disqualifications, laboratory requirements, and rehabilitation notations of this program.
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- “Recreational” and “Medicinal” Marijuana Usage
  - State initiatives have no bearing on the Department of Transportation’s regulated drug testing program
  - Medical Review Officers will not verify a drug test as negative based on learning that the employee used ‘recreational marijuana’
  - Marijuana remains a drug listed in Schedule 1 of the Controlled Substances Act

(DOT Office of Drug and Alcohol Policy and Compliance Letter 12/3/2012)
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- **What’s New?** - MAP-21 Gives FTA the ability to bar an entity from receiving federal transit assistance, if entity is not in compliance with FTA drug and alcohol regulations

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- Deadline to file Annual Reporting (for Grantees) – February 28, 2013

- More information on reporting:

- Reporting and Forms:
  [http://www.dot.gov/odapc/MISreporting](http://www.dot.gov/odapc/MISreporting)

- DRPT Submission by March 15, 2013
Questions?