

Gulf of Mexico

Contractor Communication

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Contractor Safety Management

Dear GoM Contractor:

This communication update from the BP Gulf of Mexico (GOM) Contractor Safety Management (CSM) Team addresses the following:

- Medication Waiver Letter Required for individuals taking Adderall or Vyvanse prescriptions
- Reporting Dangerous and Restricted Medication

Please communicate this requirement to your employees and/or subcontractors. It is the responsibility of each company to ensure their employees arrive at the heliport with the required waiver letter and understand the medication reporting requirements.

Medication Waiver Letter Required for individuals taking Adderall or Vyvanse Prescriptions

- **Effective January 1, 2019, individuals travelling offshore that test non-negative for amphetamines (due to valid Adderall and Vyvanse prescriptions) at the heliport without the required medication waiver letter will NOT be allowed to travel offshore.** The BP GoM Medication Policy ([BP Medication Policy \(Offshore\)](#)) requires that this waiver letter must be carried when travelling offshore (page 21) and also on file with the heliport drug testing company.
- To avoid having individuals being sent home for an amphetamine non-negative test at the heliport, this process must be followed. The waiver letters are only issued for Vyvanse or Adderall.
- Regarding the waiver letter process, please contact the GoM Occupational Health Nurse (OHN), Diana Haines, @ diana.haines@bp.com. She will provide your company Designated Employer Representative (DER) the process to prepare a letter, which also notifies the heliport drug testing company that the individual should not be restricted from offshore access when testing “non-negative” for amphetamines. This letter will need to be presented to the testing agent at the time of testing. The company DER along with the employee is responsible to have this letter renewed every 12 months.

Reporting Dangerous and Restricted Medication

- **Medications that are considered Restricted and/or Dangerous (See Medication Advisory) must be reported to the Medic or GoM Occupational Health Nurse in advance of offshore travel.** Medical clearance must be obtained for dangerous and restricted medication using the process in the Medication Policy (page 13). Restricted and Dangerous medications will require further investigation and forms completed by the individual’s treating physician.
- Certain medications may result in non-negative test results which may put the individual on a temporary restricted duty plan or sent home, complete the process before the employee goes offshore.
- New/Changes to medications should be reported to the Medic on arrival offshore.

Knife Policy

- **Knives are no longer allowed to be taken offshore, including in offshore bags. This includes knives being taken by catering companies.**
- **Please read the attached notice concerning knives and share it with anyone that will be traveling offshore to a BP location.**

It is very important that the personnel traveling offshore are informed of the requirements mentioned in this communication. Sharing the information with them will prevent issues at the heliport when checking in.



Medication Policy



Medication



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Clearance from Pers/Advisory handout 1

Please contact Chris with any concerns:

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