

# **Acute Liver Disease**

#### Gastroenterologist or Infectious Diseases Specialist

#### Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms and relevant investigation results including LFT's, imaging
- Treatment, effectiveness of treatment and any side effects

#### **Medical Standard**

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- Fever/jaundice is absent
- Is not suffering from a bleeding disorder
- There is no evidence of liver failure
- The condition or treatment would not impact their ability to safely perform the inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

### Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation

May impact motor, sensory, and cognitive function



# Chronic Liver Disease/Post Liver Transplant

#### Gastroenterologist

#### Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms and relevant investigation results including LFT's, imaging
- Treatment, effectiveness of treatment and any side effects
- MELD\*\* score determination by a gastroenterologist
  - \*\*Model for end-stage liver disease (MELD). A number that ranges from 6 to 40 based on Cr, Bilirubin, INR, Na

#### **Medical Standard**

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- There is no chronic liver disease due to any cause
- Chronic Hepatitis B / C
  - o Asymptomatic
  - o Non-viraemic
  - Normal liver function tests and ultrasound
  - Could safely perform essential job tasks
- MELD score >10
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

## Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation

May impact motor, sensory, and cognitive function



# Diverticular Disease

#### Gastroenterologist / General surgeon

## Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms and relevant investigation results
- Treatment, effectiveness of treatment and any side effects
- Report from general surgeon if appropriate

#### Medical Standard

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- There is no associated large volume rectal bleed
  - There is no acute diverticulitis
- There is no obstruction due to diverticular stricture as confirmed by a General Surgeon
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

#### Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation



# Gall Bladder Disease

#### General Surgeon

## Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms and relevant investigation results including LFT's, imaging
- Treatment, effectiveness of treatment and any side effects

#### **Medical Standard**

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- There is no acute cholecystitis requiring cholecystectomy
- There are no gall stone colic episodes requiring cholecystectomy
- A minimum of 3-4 weeks has passed since laparoscopic cholecystectomy
- A minimum of 6-8 week has passed since open cholecystectomy
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

### Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation



# Gastrointestinal Reflux Disease (GERD)

#### Gastroenterologist

### Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms
- Investigation results for atypical chest pain including cardiac evaluation and clearance, EST (if >35 years)
- Esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD) results
- History of treatment with proton pump inhibitors (PPI's)

#### Medical Standard

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- There is no atypical chest pain
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

## Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation

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# Hernias (inguinal, femoral, umbilical, ventral & incisional)

#### General surgeon

#### Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms, relevant investigation results
- Treatment / treatment plan, effectiveness of treatment

#### **Medical Standard**

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- Inguinal hernia: both symptomatic and asymptomatic has been effectively repaired
- · Femoral hernia: both symptomatic and asymptomatic has been effectively repaired
- Umbilical hernia:
  - o less than one inch extrusion beyond umbilical orifice
  - asymptomatic
  - o no evidence of obstruction or incarceration.
- Ventral hernia: both symptomatic and asymptomatic has been effectively repaired
- Incisional hernia: both symptomatic and asymptomatic has been effectively repaired
- At least 4-6 weeks has passed since laparoscopic repair
- At least 6 weeks has passed since open repair
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

#### Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation



# Haemorrhoids/Fissure/Anal Fistula

#### Gastroenterologist / Colorectal surgeon

## Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms, relevant investigation results
- Treatment / treatment plan, effectiveness of treatment

#### **Medical Standard**

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- Complete amelioration of the following symptoms and signs:
  - o Active rectal bleeding
  - o Purulent discharge
  - o Fever
  - o Pain
  - o Anaemia < 10g/dL Hb
- At least 4-6 weeks has passed post-surgery
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

## Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation



# Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)

Includes ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease

#### Gastroenterologist

## Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms, relevant investigation results
- Treatment / treatment plan, effectiveness of treatment

#### **Medical Standard**

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- Complete amelioration of the following symptoms and signs:
  - o Diarrhoea (>3 episodes of bowel movements in an 8-hour period)
  - o Abdominal pain (5/10 and above, for 1-2 episodes in an 8-hour period)
  - o Fever >37.7 degrees C
  - o Anaemia < 10g/dL Hb.
- Does not required narcotics
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

## Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation



# Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS)

#### Gastroenterologist

## Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms, relevant investigation results
- Investigation results to rule out Ulcerative Colitis or Crohn's Disease
- Treatment / treatment plan, effectiveness of treatment

#### Medical Standard

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- Complete amelioration of the following symptoms and signs:
  - Diarrhoea (>3 episodes of bowel movements in an 8-hour period)
  - o Abdominal pain (5/10 and above, for 1-2 episodes in an 8-hour period)
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

### Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation



# **Pancreatitis**

## Gastroenterologist

## Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms, relevant investigation results
- Investigation results to rule out Ulcerative Colitis or Crohn's Disease
- Treatment / treatment plan, effectiveness of treatment

#### Medical Standard

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- There is no acute pancreatitis
- There is no chronic pancreatitis resulting in chronic pain or diarrhoea
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

### Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation

May impact motor, sensory and cognitive function



# Peptic-Gastric and Duodenal Ulcer or Zollinger-Ellison Syndrome

#### Gastroenterologist / General Surgeon

#### Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to diagnosis, symptoms, relevant investigation results
- Treatment / treatment plan, effectiveness of treatment

#### **Medical Standard**

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- Complete amelioration of the following symptoms and signs:
  - Abdominal pain (5/10 and above, for 1-2 episodes in an 8-hour period)
  - GI bleeding (black stools)
- At least 8 weeks has passed post ulcer surgery
- At least 4 weeks has passed post-endoscopic therapy for bleeding ulcers
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

#### Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation



# Post-Bariatric Surgery Complications

## Gastroenterologist

#### Investigations and Reports for Consideration

- Relevant medical records including but not limited to current symptoms, relevant investigation results
- Treatment / treatment plan, effectiveness of treatment

#### **Medical Standard**

May be fit for unrestricted duties if all are true:

- Complete amelioration of the following symptoms and signs:
  - o Anaemia < 9g/dL Hb
  - o Proximal and distal muscle weakness in both upper and lower limbs.
- Able to safely and effectively perform inherent requirements of an operational general police officer and protective services officer without exacerbation or aggravation of condition
- Meets the NTC Fitness to Drive Commercial Drivers Standard.

### Impact on Job Performance

Increased risk of sudden incapacitation

May impact motor, sensory and cognitive function