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# Quality Assurance of Aeromedical Examinations

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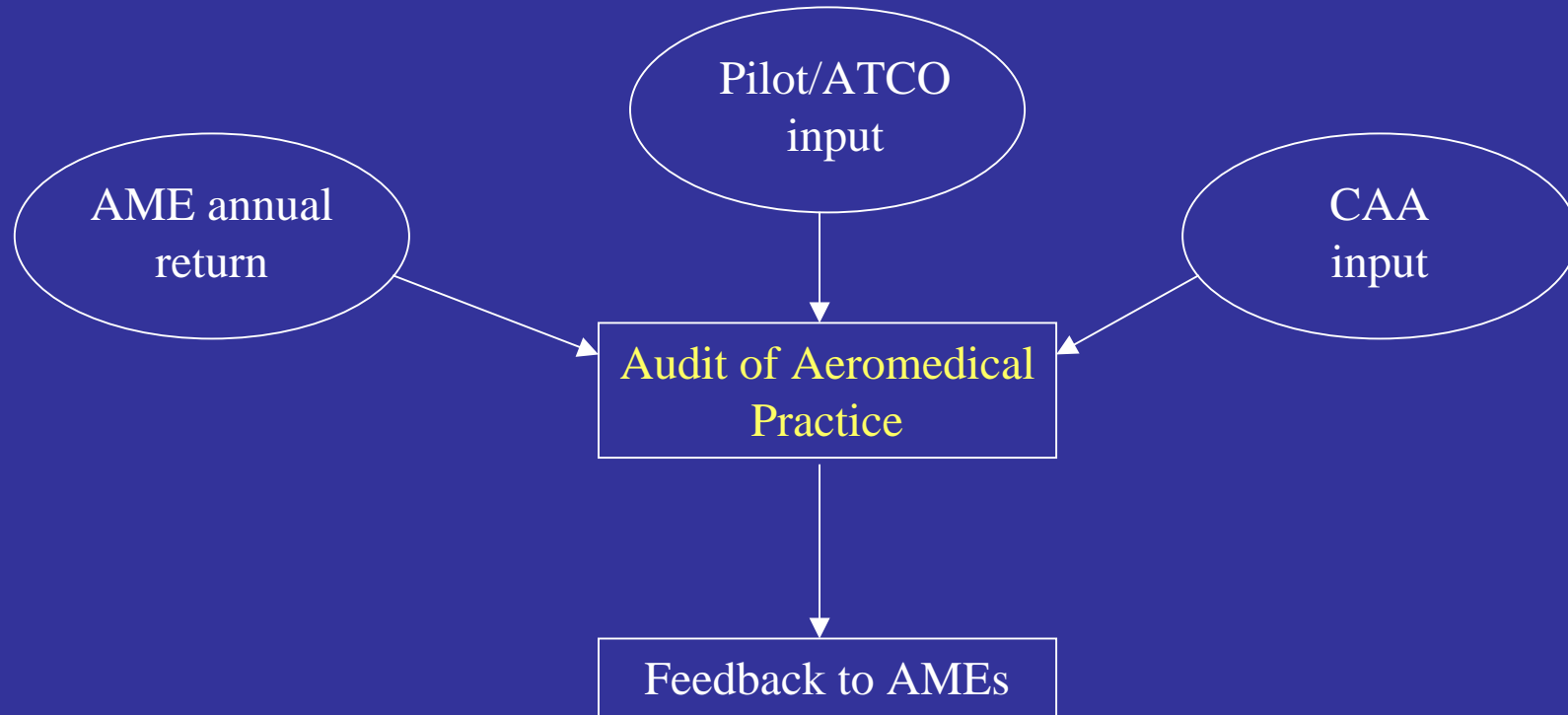
# Background

- Quality Assurance
- CAA internal audit
- JAR FCL 3.090
- Audit within other agencies

# Aims

- Clinical Governance
- Ensure AMEs meet JAR requirements
- Provide internal CPD activity and contribute to professional revalidation
  
- Sharing examples of good practice
- Identify areas for supported improvement

Good Medical Practice  
for AMEs Document



# Good Aeromedical Practice Document

- Based on GMC document
- Contains standards & supporting evidence
  - Providing good medical practice
  - Maintaining good medical practice
  - Teaching, training, appraising & supervising
  - Relationships with applicants
  - Probity & health
  - Practice Facilities

# AME Annual Return

- Declaration:
  - GMC registration
  - Engaged in annual appraisal and revalidation scheme (when commenced)
  - Meeting standards of Good Medical Practice for AMEs
- Summary:
  - Internal & external aeromedical CPD activities



# Pilot/ATCO/CAA Input

- Customer Satisfaction Questionnaire
- Correspondence from pilots/ATCOs
- Input from CAA staff

# Selecting Practices to Audit

- All AMEs will be audited at some point within a 6 year cycle
- Assigning an order likely to be multi-factorial
  - Date of last audit
  - Internal/External CPD activities
  - Responsibility for other AMEs
  - Number of pilots assessed
  - Proportion issued/deferred/denied
  - CAA & Pilot/ATCO input
  - Practice premises

# Audit of Practice

- Practice visit
  - Premises
  - Records
  - Medical - from appointment booking to issuing certificate
- Paper audit
  - Focused audit of selected documents

# Feedback to AMEs

- Report following audit
  - Areas of good practice
  - Areas requiring improvement (timescales)
- Follow-up on required improvements
- Newsletter sharing examples of good practice

# Next stages

- Good Medical Practice for AMEs & CSQ
  - AME feedback
- Complete :
  - complaints procedure
  - AME ToR
- Logistics