Certification of Health Care Provider (Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993)

U.S. Department of Labor Employment Standards Administration

Wage and Hour Division



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1. Employee's Name							Patient's Name (If different from employee)				
3.		Page 4 describes what is meant by a "serious health condition" under the Family and Medical Leave Act. Does the patient's condition ¹ qualify under any of the categories described? If so, please check the applicable category.									
	(1)	_ (2)	(3)	(4)	_(5) _	(6)	, or None of the abo	ove		
4.				acts which sup se categories:	port your certific	eation,	including a brief	statement as to how the m	nedical facts meet		
5.	a.				dition commenc esent incapacit			uration of the condition (ar	nd also the		
	b.				ee to take work o treatment descr			o work on a less than fu	II schedule as a		
		If yes, giv	e the probal	ble duration:							
	C.	If the cor and the I	ndition is a cl ikely duration	h ronic conditi n and frequend	on (condition #4 by of episodes o	l) or p if inc a	regnancy, state v pacity ² :	whether the patient is pres	ently incapacitated ²		

¹ Here and elsewhere on this form, the information sought relates **only** to the condition for which the employee is taking FMLA leave.

² "Incapacity," for purposes of FMLA, is defined to mean inability to work, attend school or perform other regular daily activities due to the serious health condition, treatment therefor, or recovery therefrom.

6.	a.	If additional treatments will be required for the condition, provide an estimate of the probable number of such treatments
		If the patient will be absent from work or other daily activities because of treatment on an intermittent or part-time basis, also provide an estimate of the probable number of and interval between such treatments, actual or estimated dates of treatment if known, and period required for recovery if any:
	b.	If any of these treatments will be provided by another provider of health services (e.g., physical therapist), please state the nature of the treatments:
	C.	If a regimen of continuing treatment by the patient is required under your supervision, provide a general description of such regimen (<i>e.g.</i> , prescription drugs, physical therapy requiring special equipment):
7.	a.	If medical leave is required for the employee's absence from work because of the employee's own condition (including absences due to pregnancy or a chronic condition), is the employee unable to perform work of any kind?
	b.	If able to perform some work, is the employee unable to perform any one or more of the essential functions of the employee's job (the employee or the employer should supply you with information about the essential job functions)? If yes, please list the essential functions the employee is unable to perform:
	c.	If neither a. nor b. applies, is it necessary for the employee to be absent from work for treatment ?

8. a	leave is required to care for a family member of the employee with a serious health condition, does the patient equire assistance for basic medical or personal needs or safety, or for transportation?						
b	 b. If no, would the employee's presence to provide ps patient's recovery? 	sychological comfort be beneficial to the patient or assist in the					
С	c. If the patient will need care only intermittently or o	on a part-time basis, please indicate the probable duration of this need:					
Sigi	gnature of Health Care Provider	Type of Practice					
Add	ldress	Telephone Number					
		Date					
To b	be completed by the employee needing family lea	ve to care for a family member:					
State to be	ate the care you will provide and an estimate of the per be taken intermittently or if it will be necessary for you t	iod during which care will be provided, including a schedule if leave is to work less than a full schedule:					
	ployee Signature						

A "Serious Health Condition" means an illness, injury impairment, or physical or mental condition that involves one of the following:

1. Hospital Care

Inpatient care (*i.e.*, an overnight stay) in a hospital, hospice, or residential medical care facility, including any period of incapacity² or subsequent treatment in connection with or consequent to such inpatient care.

2. Absence Plus Treatment

- (a) A period of incapacity² of **more than three consecutive calendar days** (including any subsequent treatment or period of incapacity² relating to the same condition), that also involves:
 - (1) **Treatment**³ **two or more times** by a health care provider, by a nurse or physician's assistant under direct supervision of a health care provider, or by a provider of health care services (*e.g.*, physical therapist) under orders of, or on referral by, a health care provider; or
 - (2) **Treatment** by a health care provider on **at least one occasion** which results in a **regimen of continuing treatment**⁴ under the supervision of the health care provider.

3. Pregnancy

Any period of incapacity due to pregnancy, or for prenatal care.

4. Chronic Conditions Requiring Treatments

A chronic condition which:

- (1) Requires **periodic visits** for treatment by a health care provider, or by a nurse or physician's assistant under direct supervision of a health care provider;
- (2) Continues over an extended period of time (including recurring episodes of a single underlying condition); and
- (3) May cause **episodic** rather than a continuing period of incapacity² (*e.g.*, asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, etc.).

Permanent/Long-term Conditions Requiring Supervision

A period of **Incapacity**² which is **permanent or long-term** due to a condition for which treatment may not be effective. The employee or family member must be **under the continuing supervision of, but need not be receiving active treatment by, a health care provider**. Examples include Alzheimer's, a severe stroke, or the terminal stages of a disease.

6. Multiple Treatments (Non-Chronic Conditions)

Any period of absence to receive **multiple treatments** (including any period of recovery therefrom) by a health care provider or by a provider of health care services under orders of, or on referral by, a health care provider, either for **restorative surgery** after an accident or other injury, **or** for a condition that **would likely result in a period of Incapacity**² **of more than three consecutive calendar days in the absence of medical intervention or treatment**, such as cancer (chemotherapy, radiation, etc.), severe arthritis (physical therapy), and kidney disease (dialysis).

This optional form may be used by employees to satisfy a mandatory requirement to furnish a medical certification (when requested) from a health care provider, including second or third opinions and recertification (29 CFR 825.306).

Note: Persons are not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Public Burden Statement

We estimate that it will take an average of 20 minutes to complete this collection of information, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. If you have any comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, send them to the Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, Room S-3502, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

DO NOT SEND THE COMPLETED FORM TO THIS OFFICE; IT GOES TO THE EMPLOYEE.

³ Treatment includes examinations to determine if a serious health condition exists and evaluations of the condition. Treatment does not include routine physical examinations, eye examinations, or dental examinations.

⁴ A regimen of continuing treatment includes, for example, a course of prescription medication (*e.g.*, an antibiotic) or therapy requiring special equipment to resolve or alleviate the health condition. A regimen of treatment does not include the taking of over-the-counter medications such as aspirin, antihistamines, or salves; or bed-rest, drinking fluids, exercise, and other similar activities that can be initiated without a visit to a health care provider.