



**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
FEDERAL FAMILY and MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA)
and/or STATE PARENTAL LEAVE ACT (PLA)**

**Supplemental Certification of Health Care Provider for
Family Member's Serious Health Condition**

SECTION I: For Completion by the EMPLOYER

INSTRUCTIONS to the EMPLOYER: This form should be required when Form DOP-L3 does not provide sufficient information. The federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and West Virginia Parental Leave Act (PLA) provide that an employer may require an employee seeking FMLA protections because of a need for leave to care for a covered family member with a serious health condition to submit a medical certification issued by the health care provider of the covered family member. Please complete Section I before giving this form to your employee. You may not ask the employee to provide more information than allowed under the FMLA regulations, 29 C.F.R. §§825.306-825.308. Employers must generally maintain records and documents relating to medical certifications, recertifications, or medical histories of employees' family members, created for FMLA and PLA purposes as confidential medical records in separate files/records from the usual personnel files and in accordance with 29 C.F.R. §1630.14(c)(1), if the Americans with Disabilities Act applies.

Employer name and contact: _____

SECTION II: For Completion by the EMPLOYEE

INSTRUCTIONS to the EMPLOYEE: Please complete Section II before giving this form to your family member or his or her medical provider. The FMLA and PLA permit an employer to require that you submit a timely, complete, and sufficient medical certification to support a request for leave to care for a covered family member with a serious health condition. If requested by your employer, your response is required to obtain or retain the benefit of FMLA and/or PLA protections. Failure to provide a complete and sufficient medical certification may result in a denial of your leave request. Your employer must give you at least 15 calendar days to return this form to your employer.

Your name: _____
First Middle Last

Name of family member for whom you will provide care:	Relationship of family member to you:
_____	_____
First Middle Last	Relationship

If family member is your son or daughter, date of birth: _____

Describe care you will provide to your family member and estimate leave needed to provide care:

_____ Employee Signature	_____ Date
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SECTION III: For Completion by the HEALTH CARE PROVIDER

INSTRUCTIONS to the HEALTH CARE PROVIDER: The employee listed above has requested leave under the FMLA and/or PLA to care for your patient. Answer, fully and completely, all applicable parts below. Several questions seek a response as to the frequency or duration of a condition, treatment, etc. Your answer should be your best estimate based upon your medical knowledge, experience, and examination of the patient. Be as specific as you can; terms such as "lifetime," "unknown," or "indeterminate" may not be sufficient to determine FMLA/PLA coverage. Limit your responses to the condition for which the patient needs leave. Page 4 provides space for additional information, should you need it. Please be sure to sign the form on the last page.

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Provider's name and business address: _____

Type of practice / Medical specialty: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

PART A: MEDICAL FACTS

1. Approximate date condition commenced: _____

Probable duration of condition (required): _____

Was the patient admitted for an overnight stay in a hospital, hospice, or residential medical care facility? ☐ No ☐ Yes If so, dates of admission: _____

Date(s) you treated the patient for condition: _____

Was medication, other than over-the-counter medication, prescribed? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Will the patient need to have treatment visits at least twice per year due to the condition?

☐ No ☐ Yes

Was the patient referred to other health care provider(s) for evaluation or treatment (e.g., physical therapist)? ☐ No ☐ Yes If so, state the nature of such treatments and expected duration of treatment: _____

2. Is the medical condition pregnancy? ☐ No ☐ Yes If so, expected delivery date: _____

3. Describe other relevant medical facts, if any, related to the condition for which the patient needs care (such medical facts may include symptoms, diagnosis, or any regimen of continuing treatment such as the use of specialized equipment):

PART B: AMOUNT OF CARE NEEDED: When answering these questions, keep in mind that your patient's need for care by the employee seeking leave may include assistance with basic medical, hygienic, nutritional, safety or transportation needs, or the provision of physical or psychological care:

4. Will the patient be incapacitated for a single continuous period of time, including any time for treatment and recovery? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Estimate the beginning and ending dates for the period of incapacity:

FROM: _____ TO: _____ (required)

During this time, will the patient need care? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Explain the care needed by the patient and why such care is medically necessary:

5. Will the patient require follow-up treatments, including any time for recovery? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Estimate treatment schedule, if any, including the dates of any scheduled appointments and the time required for each appointment, including any recovery period: _____

6. Will the patient require care on an intermittent or reduced schedule basis, including any time for recovery? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Estimate the hours the patient needs care on an intermittent basis, if any:

_____ hour(s) per day From Date: _____

_____ days per week Through Date: _____

Explain the care needed by the patient, and why such care is medically necessary:

7. Will the condition cause episodic flare-ups periodically preventing the patient from participating in normal daily activities? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Based upon the patient's medical history and your knowledge of the medical condition, estimate the frequency of flare-ups and the duration of related incapacity that the patient may have over the next 6 months (e.g., 1 episode every 3 months lasting 1-2 days):

Frequency: _____ times per _____ week(s) _____ month(s)

Duration: _____ hours or _____ day(s) per episode

Does the patient need care during these flare-ups? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Explain the care needed by the patient, and why such care is medically necessary:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Identify question number with your additional answer):

Signature of Health Care Provider

Date



NOTE: When requesting a medical leave of absence without pay under the Division of Personnel's *Administrative Rule*, W. VA. CODE R. § 143-1-1 *et seq.*, and/or leave with or without pay under the federal Family and Medical Leave or State Parental Leave Acts, certification forms DOP-L5 or DOP-L6, as applicable, may be required if additional information is needed.

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS



Eligible employees who work for a covered employer can take up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job-protected leave in a 12-month period for the following reasons:

- The birth of a child or placement of a child for adoption or foster care;
- To bond with a child (leave must be taken within one year of the child’s birth or placement);
- To care for the employee’s spouse, child, or parent who has a qualifying serious health condition;
- For the employee’s own qualifying serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the employee’s job;
- For qualifying exigencies related to the foreign deployment of a military member who is the employee’s spouse, child, or parent.

An eligible employee who is a covered servicemember’s spouse, child, parent, or next of kin may also take up to 26 weeks of FMLA leave in a single 12-month period to care for the servicemember with a serious injury or illness.

An employee does not need to use leave in one block. When it is medically necessary or otherwise permitted, employees may take leave intermittently or on a reduced schedule.

Employees may choose, or an employer may require, use of accrued paid leave while taking FMLA leave. If an employee substitutes accrued paid leave for FMLA leave, the employee must comply with the employer’s normal paid leave policies.

While employees are on FMLA leave, employers must continue health insurance coverage as if the employees were not on leave.

Upon return from FMLA leave, most employees must be restored to the same job or one nearly identical to it with equivalent pay, benefits, and other employment terms and conditions.

An employer may not interfere with an individual’s FMLA rights or retaliate against someone for using or trying to use FMLA leave, opposing any practice made unlawful by the FMLA, or being involved in any proceeding under or related to the FMLA.

BENEFITS & PROTECTIONS

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

An employee who works for a covered employer must meet three criteria in order to be eligible for FMLA leave. The employee must:

- Have worked for the employer for at least 12 months;
- Have at least 1,250 hours of service in the 12 months before taking leave;* and
- Work at a location where the employer has at least 50 employees within 75 miles of the employee’s worksite.

*Special “hours of service” requirements apply to airline flight crew employees.

REQUESTING LEAVE

Generally, employees must give 30-days’ advance notice of the need for FMLA leave. If it is not possible to give 30-days’ notice, an employee must notify the employer as soon as possible and, generally, follow the employer’s usual procedures.

Employees do not have to share a medical diagnosis, but must provide enough information to the employer so it can determine if the leave qualifies for FMLA protection. Sufficient information could include informing an employer that the employee is or will be unable to perform his or her job functions, that a family member cannot perform daily activities, or that hospitalization or continuing medical treatment is necessary. Employees must inform the employer if the need for leave is for a reason for which FMLA leave was previously taken or certified.

Employers can require a certification or periodic recertification supporting the need for leave. If the employer determines that the certification is incomplete, it must provide a written notice indicating what additional information is required.

Once an employer becomes aware that an employee’s need for leave is for a reason that may qualify under the FMLA, the employer must notify the employee if he or she is eligible for FMLA leave and, if eligible, must also provide a notice of rights and responsibilities under the FMLA. If the employee is not eligible, the employer must provide a reason for ineligibility.

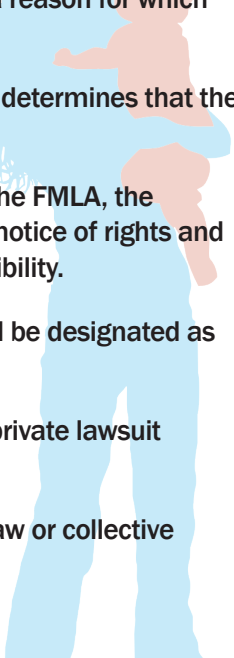
Employers must notify its employees if leave will be designated as FMLA leave, and if so, how much leave will be designated as FMLA leave.

Employees may file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, or may bring a private lawsuit against an employer.

The FMLA does not affect any federal or state law prohibiting discrimination or supersede any state or local law or collective bargaining agreement that provides greater family or medical leave rights.

EMPLOYER RESPONSIBILITIES

ENFORCEMENT



For additional information or to file a complaint:

1-866-4-USWAGE

(1-866-487-9243) TTY: 1-877-889-5627

www.dol.gov/whd

U.S. Department of Labor | Wage and Hour Division





APPLICATION TO RECEIVE DONATED LEAVE

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

PART I – APPLICANT INFORMATION: To be completed by the applicant or designee.

Name:		Social Security Number:	
Agency:		Work Phone:	Home Phone:
Section (and Unit if applicable):			
Reason for Request: <input type="checkbox"/> Employee's Personal Medical Condition <input type="checkbox"/> Immediate Family Member's Medical Condition Relationship:		The reason for the request must be verified by the physician or medical practitioner treating the individual with the medical condition. The physician or medical practitioner must provide all of the information requested on the back of this form (PART III), and he/she must sign and date the form.	
In applying for leave donations, I agree to have the following information published: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My Name • My last day at work • The reason for my absence • The agency for which I work • The date my available leave was/will be exhausted • The expected duration of my absence 			
Signature		Date:	
Completed by: <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Designee (specify):			
OPTIONAL - To be completed ONLY by the applicant: As part of my application for leave donations, I further request that you also publish the following information regarding my medical emergency, exactly as I have written it in the space below:			
Signature		Date:	

PART II – EMPLOYER DETERMINATION: To be completed by the applicant's Appointing Authority or designee.

1. Does the applicant receive annual and sick leave as a benefit of employment?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2. For this absence: Is the applicant receiving/eligible to receive Worker's Compensation benefits, or is he/she receiving Social Security Disability benefits?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3. The applicant's available leave for this absence was/will be exhausted on:		Date:	
4. The applicant, according to the information provided in PART III of this form, is expected to be absent from work through:		Date:	
5. This leave of absence is for the following reason:		<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Condition: Employee <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Condition: Immediate Family Member	
6. The applicant's eligibility determination is:		<input type="checkbox"/> ELIGIBLE <input type="checkbox"/> NOT ELIGIBLE: explain below	
7. OASIS account information for recipient:			
8. Certified by:		10. Phone:	
9. Title:		11. Date:	

PART III – PHYSICIAN/PRACTITIONER INFORMATION: To be completed by the patient’s physician or medical practitioner.

The employee named in Part I has applied to receive donations of annual leave through the Leave Donation Program established by the West Virginia Division of Personnel. You are requested to either complete the information below or attach a completed DOP-L3 Physician’s/Practitioner’s Statement form for your patient.

If your patient is the named employee, complete items 1, 2, 3, 4a, 5a, and 6 through 13. If your patient is a member of the named employee’s immediate family, complete items 1, 2, 3, 4b, 5b, and 9 through 13.

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PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

1. Patient’s Name:		2. Most recent examination date:	
3. Patient is/was:		FROM	TO
<input type="checkbox"/> Under my professional care			
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitalized		FROM	TO
4 and 5. COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE SECTIONS (4a and 5a –OR– 4b and 5b) BELOW: Provide a return to duty date for either section, even if it is approximate. As an alternative, you may give the date you will next evaluate the patient’s condition.			
4a. Patient is:		4b. Patient is:	
<input type="checkbox"/> The employee , and has been incapacitated from performing and is/her job duties		<input type="checkbox"/> A family member of the named employee , and the employee’s absence from work has been necessitated by the medical condition of the patient	
FROM		FROM	
TO		TO	
5a. Return to duty information: The patient/employee has resumed or may resume full duty employment , with no restrictions on work activities, on:		5b. Return to duty information: The patient will no longer need the care/attendance of the named employee, which would require the absence of the employee, on:	
DATE:		DATE:	
6. If the patient is not able to return to full duty employment, can he/she return to work at less than full duty?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
If yes, what is the period of incapacity?		FROM TO	
7. Describe in detail any limitations or restrictions on the ability of the employee to work. Please list any assistive devices or equipment, or any other type of accommodation, the employee requires in order to perform his or her job duties.			
8. Will this illness/injury permanently prevent the employee from returning to work?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
9. Physician’s or Medical Practitioner’s Name:			
10. Address:		12. Phone:	
		13. Fax:	
11. Signature		14. Date:	

