Certification for Serious Injury or Illness of a Covered Current Servicemember - -for Military Family Leave (Family and Medical Leave Act)

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Notice to the EMPLOYER

INSTRUCTIONS to the EMPLOYER: The Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) provides that an employer may require an employee seeking FMLA leave due to a serious injury or illness of a <u>covered current</u> servicemember to submit a certification providing sufficient facts to support the request for leave. Your response is voluntary. While you are not required to use this form, you may not ask the employee to provide more information than allowed under the FMLA regulations, 29 CFR 825.310. Employers must generally maintain records and documents relating to medical certifications, recertifications, or medical histories of employees or employees' family members; created for FMLA purposes as confidential medical records in separate files/records from the usual personnel files and in accordance with 29 CFR 1630.14(c)(1), if the Americans with Disabilities Act applies.

SECTION I: For Completion by the EMPLOYEE and/or the COVERED CURRENT SERVICEMEMBER for whom the Employee Is Requesting Leave

INSTRUCTIONS to the EMPLOYEE or COVERED CURRENT SERVICEMEMBER: Please complete Section I before having Section II completed. The FMLA permits an employer to require that an employee submit a timely, complete, and sufficient certification to support a request for FMLA leave due to a serious injury or illness of a covered servicemember. If requested by the employer, your response is required to obtain or retain the benefit of FMLA-protected leave. 29 U.S.C. 2613, 2614(c)(3). Failure to do so may result in a denial of an employee's FMLA request. 29 CFR 825.310(f). The employer must give an employee at least 15 calendar days to return this form to the employer.

SECTION II: For Completion by a UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ("DOD") HEALTH CARE PROVIDER or a HEALTH CARE PROVIDER who is either: (1) a United States Department of Veterans Affairs ("VA") health care provider; (2) a DOD TRICARE network authorized private health care provider; (3) a DOD non-network TRICARE authorized private health care provider; or (4) a health care provider as defined in 29 CFR 825.125.

INSTRUCTIONS to the HEALTH CARE PROVIDER: The employee listed on Page 2 has requested leave under the FMLA to care for a family member who is a <u>current</u> member of the Regular Armed Forces, the National Guard, or the Reserves who is undergoing medical treatment, recuperation, or therapy, is otherwise in outpatient status, or is otherwise on the temporary disability retired list for a serious injury or illness. For purposes of FMLA leave, a serious injury or illness is one that was incurred in the line of duty on active duty <u>in the Armed Forces or that existed before the beginning of the member's active duty and was aggravated by service in the line of duty on active duty in the Armed Forces that may render the servicemember medically unfit to perform the duties of his or her office, grade, rank, or rating.</u>

A complete and sufficient certification to support a request for FMLA leave due to a covered current servicemember's serious injury or illness includes written documentation confirming that the covered servicemember's injury or illness was incurred in the line of duty on active duty or if not, that the covered current servicemember's injury or illness existed before the beginning of the servicemember's active duty and was aggravated by service in the line of duty on active duty in the Armed Forces, and that the current covered servicemember is undergoing treatment for such injury or illness by a health care provider listed above. Answer, fully and completely, all applicable parts. 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 coverage. Limit your responses to the servicemember's condition for which the employee is seeking leave.

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Name	of Employee Requesting Le	eave to Care for the <u>Current</u> Covered S	Servicemember:
	First	Middle	Last
Name	of the <u>Current</u> covered Serv	icemember (for whom employee is re	questing leave to care):
	First	Middle	Last
Relati	onship of Employee to the 🤇	<u>Current covered</u> Servicemember Reque	esting Leave to Care:
Spous	e□ Parent □ Son □ D	aughter 🛘 Next of Kin 🗖	
Part E	: COVERED SERVICEME	EMBER INFORMATION	
(1)	Is the Covered Servicement Yes□ No□	mber a Current Member of the Regula	r Armed Forces, the National Guard or Reserves?
	If wes inlease provide the	covered servicemember's military bra	nch, rank and unit currently assigned to:
	Is the covered servicement established for the purpose	nber assigned to a military medical tre	atment facility as an outpatient or to a unit of members of the Armed Forces receiving
	Is the covered servicement established for the purpose medical care as outpatient Yes□ No□	nber assigned to a military medical tre e of providing command and control o	atment facility as an outpatient or to a unit of members of the Armed Forces receiving ansition unit)?
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SECTION II: For Completion by a United States Department of Defense ("DOD") Health Care Provider or a Health Care Provider who is either: (1) a United States Department of Veterans Affairs ("VA") health care provider; (2) a DOD TRICARE network authorized private health care provider; (3) a DOD non-network

TRICARE authorized private health care provider; or (4) a health care provider as defined in 29 CFR 825.125. If you are unable to make certain of the military-related determinations contained below in Part B, you are permitted to rely upon determinations from an authorized DOD representative (such as a DOD recovery care coordinator). (Please ensure that Section I above has been completed before completing this section. Please be sure to sign the form on the last page.) Part A: HEALTH CARE PROVIDER INFORMATION Health Care Provider's Name and Business Address: Type of Practice/Medical Specialty: _____ Please state whether you are either: (1) a DOD health care provider; (2) a VA health care provider; (3) a DOD TRICARE network authorized private health care provider; (4) a DOD non-network TRICARE authorized private health care provider, or (5) a health care provider as defined in 29 CFR 825.125: Telephone: () Fax: () Email: PART B: MEDICAL STATUS (1) Covered The current Servicemember's medical condition is classified as (Check One of the Appropriate Boxes): □ (VSI) Very Seriously Ill/Injured – Illness/Injury is of such a severity that life is imminently endangered. Family members are requested at bedside immediately. (Please note this is an internal DOD casualty assistance designation used by DOD healthcare providers.) ☐ (SI) Seriously Ill/Injured – Illness/injury is of such severity that there is cause for immediate concern, but there is no imminent danger to life. Family members are requested at bedside. (Please note this is an internal DOD casualty assistance designation used by DOD healthcare providers.) □ **OTHER Ill/Injured** – a serious injury or illness that may render the servicemember medically unfit to perform the duties of the member's office, grade, rank, or rating. □ **NONE OF THE ABOVE** (Note to Employee: If this box is checked, you may still be eligible to take leave to care for a covered family member with a "serious health condition" under § 825.113 of the FMLA. If such leave is requested, you may be required to complete DOL FORM WH-380-F or an employer-provided form seeking the same information.) (2)Was the condition for which Is the covered current Service-member being treated for a condition which was incurred or aggravated by service in the line of duty on active duty in the Armed Forces? Yes \square No \square (3) Approximate date condition commenced: (4)Probable duration of condition and/or need for care: (5)Is the covered servicemember undergoing medical treatment, recuperation, or therapy for this condition? Yes \square

If yes, please describe medical treatment, recuperation or therapy:

(1)	Will the servicemember need care for a single continuous period of time, including any time for treatment and recovery? Yes \square No \square			
	If yes, estimate the beginning and ending dates for this period of time:			
(2)	Will the <u>covered</u> servicemember require periodic follow-up treatment appointments? Yes□ No□			
	If yes, estimate the treatment schedule:			
(3)	Is there a medical necessity for the $\frac{\text{covered}}{\text{covered}}$ servicemember to have periodic care for these follow-up treatment appointments? Yes \square No \square			
(4)	Is there a medical necessity for the $\frac{\text{covered}}{\text{service}}$ servicemember to have periodic care for other than scheduled follow up treatment appointments (e.g., episodic flare-ups of medical condition)? Yes \square No \square			
	If yes, please estimate the frequency and duration of the periodic care:			
Signat	ture of Health Care Provider: Date:			

PART C: COVERED SERVICEMEMBER'S NEED FOR CARE BY FAMILY MEMBER

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT NOTICE AND PUBLIC BURDEN STATEMENT

If submitted, it is mandatory for employers to retain a copy of this disclosure in their records for three years, in accordance with 29 U.S.C. 2616; 29 CFR 825.500. Persons are not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The Department of Labor estimates that it will take an average of 20 minutes for respondents 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 information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, send them to the Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-3502, 200 Constitution AV, NW, Washington, DC 20210. **DO NOT SEND THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION; RETURN IT TO THE PATIENT.**