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# NOTICE AND PROOF OF CLAIM FOR DISABILITY BENEFITS

Use this form if you became disabled **while employed** or if you became disabled **within four (4) weeks after termination of employment** OR if you became **disabled after having been unemployed for more than four (4) weeks.** Please answer all questions in Part A and questions 1 through 3 in Part B. Read all instructions on this form carefully. Health care providers must complete Part B on page 2.

**PART A - CLAIMANT'S INFORMATION** (Please Print or Type)

1. Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: ___

2. Mailing Address: _____ Line 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____

3. Daytime Phone #: _____ 4. Email Address: _____

5. Social Security #: ___ - ___ - ___ 6. Date of Birth: ___ - ___ - ___ 7. Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

8. My disability is (if injury, also state how, when and where it occurred): _____

_____

9. I became disabled or became ineligible for Unemployment Insurance because of this disability on: ___ / ___ / ___

I worked on that day: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you recovered from this disability? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, what was the date you were able to work: ___ / ___ / ___

Have you since worked for wages or profit? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, list dates: _____

10. Give name of last employer. If more than one employer during last eight (8) weeks, name all employers. Average Weekly Wage is based on all wages earned in last eight (8) weeks worked.

| LAST EMPLOYER | | | PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT | | Average Weekly Wage (Include Bonuses, Tips, Commissions, Reasonable Value of Board, Rent, etc.) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Firm or Trade Name | Address | Phone Number | First Day | Last Day Worked | |
| | | | Mo. Day Yr. | Mo. Day Yr. | |
| **OTHER EMPLOYER (during last eight (8) weeks)** | | | **PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT** | | **Average Weekly Wage** (Include Bonuses, Tips, Commissions, Reasonable Value of Board, Rent, etc.) |
| Firm or Trade Name | Address | Phone Number | First Day | Last Day Worked | |
| | | | Mo. Day Yr. | Mo. Day Yr. | |
| | | | Mo. Day Yr. | Mo. Day Yr. | |

11. My job is or was: _____ (Occupation) 12. Union Member: ☐ Yes ☐ No If "Yes": _____ (Name of Union or Local Number)

13. Were you claiming or receiving unemployment prior to this disability? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you did **not** claim or if you claimed but did **not** receive unemployment insurance benefits after LAST DAY WORKED, explain reasons fully: _____

_____

14. For the period of disability covered by this claim:

A. Are you **receiving** wages, salary or separation pay: ☐ Yes ☐ No

B. Are you **receiving** or **claiming**:

1. Workers' compensation for work-connected disability: ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. Paid Family Leave: ☐ Yes ☐ No
3. No-Fault motor vehicle accident (check box): ☐ Yes ☐ No or personal injury involving third party (check box): ☐ Yes ☐ No
4. Long-term disability benefits under the Federal Social Security Act for this disability: ☐ Yes ☐ No

**IF "YES" IS CHECKED IN ANY OF THE ITEMS IN 14, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:**

I have: ☐ received ☐ claimed from: _____ for the period: ___ / ___ / ___ to: ___ / ___ / ___

15. In the year (52 weeks) **before** your disability began, have you received disability benefits for other periods of disability? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes", fill in the following: Paid by: _____ from: ___ / ___ / ___ to: ___ / ___ / ___

16. In the year (52 weeks) **before** your disability began, have you received Paid Family Leave? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes", fill in the following: Paid by: _____ from: ___ / ___ / ___ to: ___ / ___ / ___

I hereby claim Disability Benefits and certify that for the period covered by this claim I was disabled. If my disability began while I was unemployed, I certify that I had been unemployed for more than four (4) weeks. I have read the instructions on page 2 of this form and that the foregoing statements, including any accompanying statements are, to the best of my knowledge, true and complete.

_____ _____

Claimant's Signature Date

An individual may sign on behalf of the claimant only if he or she is legally authorized to do so and the claimant is a minor, mentally incompetent or incapacitated. If signed by other than claimant, print information below and complete and submit Form OC-110A, Claimant's Authorization to Disclose Workers' Compensation Records.

_____ _____ _____

On behalf of Claimant Address Relationship to Claimant

## PART B - HEALTH CARE PROVIDER'S STATEMENT (Please Print or Type)

**THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER'S STATEMENT MUST BE FILLED IN COMPLETELY. THE ATTENDING HEALTH CARE PROVIDER SHALL COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE CLAIMANT WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THIS FORM.** For item 7-d, you must give estimated date. If disability is caused by or arising in connection with pregnancy, enter estimated delivery date in item 9. **INCOMPLETE ANSWERS MAY DELAY PAYMENT OF BENEFITS.**

1. Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: __

2.Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female 3. Date of Birth: ___ / ___ / _____

4. Diagnosis/Analysis: _____ Diagnosis Code: _____

a. Claimant's symptoms: _____

_____

b. Objective findings: _____

_____

5. Claimant hospitalized?: ☐ Yes ☐ No From: ___ / ___ / _____ To: ___ / ___ / _____

6. Operation indicated?: ☐ Yes ☐ No a. Type _____ b. Date ___ / ___ / _____

| 7. ENTER DATES FOR THE FOLLOWING | MONTH | DAY | YEAR |
|---|---|---|---|
| a Date of your first treatment for this disability | | | |
| b. Date of your most recent treatment for this disability | | | |
| c. Date Claimant was unable to work because of this disability | | | |
| d. Date Claimant will again be able to perform work (Even if considerable question exists, estimate date. Avoid use of terms such as unknown or undetermined.) | | | |
| e. If pregnancy related, please check box and enter the date ☐ estimated delivery date OR ☐ actual delivery date | | | |

8. In your opinion, is this disability the result of injury arising out of and in the course of employment or occupational disease?:
☐ Yes ☐ No If "Yes", has Form C-4 been filed with the Board? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**I certify that I am a:**

_____ _____ _____
(Physician, Chiropractor, Dentist, Podiatrist, Psychologist, Nurse-Midwife) Licensed or Certified in the State of License Number

_____ _____ _____
Health Care Provider's Printed Name Health Care Provider's Signature Date

_____ _____
Health Care Provider's Address Phone #

**CLAIMANT: READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY**

**PLEASE NOTE: Do not date and file this form prior to your first date of disability. In order for your claim to be processed, Parts A and B must be completed.**

1. If you are using this form because you became disabled **while employed** or you became disabled **within four (4) weeks after termination of employment**, your completed claim should be mailed **within thirty (30) days to your employer or your last employer's insurance carrier.** You may find your employer's disability insurance carrier on the Workers' Compensation Board's website using Employer Coverage Search.

2. If you are using this form because you became **disabled after having been unemployed for more than four (4) weeks**, your completed claim should be mailed to: **Workers' Compensation Board, Disability Benefits Bureau, 328 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12305.** If you answered "Yes" to question 14.B.3, please complete and attach Form DB-450.1.

If you have any questions about claiming disability benefits, you may contact the Board's Disability Benefits Bureau at (800) 353-3092. Additional information may be obtained at the Board's website: www.wcb.ny.gov, or you may write to the Disability Benefits Bureau at the address listed above.

**Notification Pursuant to the New York Personal Privacy Protection Law (Public Officers Law Article 6-A) and the Federal Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. § 552a).** The Workers' Compensation Board's (Board's) authority to request that claimants provide personal information, including their social security number, is derived from the Board's investigatory authority under Workers' Compensation Law (WCL) § 20, and its administrative authority under WCL § 142. This information is collected to assist the Board in investigating and administering claims in the most expedient manner possible and to help it maintain accurate claim records. Providing your social security number to the Board is voluntary. There is no penalty for failure to provide your social security number on this form; it will not result in a denial of your claim or a reduction in benefits. The Board will protect the confidentiality of all personal information in its possession, disclosing it only in furtherance of its official duties and in accordance with applicable state and federal law

**HIPAA NOTICE** - In order to adjudicate a workers' compensation claim or disability benefits claim, WCL 13-a(4)(a) and 12 NYCRR 325-1.3 require health care providers to regularly file medical reports of treatment with the Board and the insurance carrier or employer. Pursuant to 45 CFR 164.512 these legally required medical reports are exempt from HIPAA's restrictions on disclosure of health information.

**Disclosure of Information**: The Board will not disclose any information about your case to any unauthorized party without your consent. If you choose to have such information disclosed to an unauthorized party, you must file with the Board an original signed Form OC-110A, Claimant's Authorization to Disclose Workers' Compensation Records, or an original signed, notarized authorization letter. You may telephone your local WCB office to have Form OC-110A sent to you, or you may download it from our website, www.wcb.ny.gov. It can be found under Forms on the 'List of All Common Workers' Compensation Board Forms' web page. Mail the completed authorization form to the address listed above.

An employer or insurer, or any employee, agent, or person acting on behalf of an employer or insurer, who KNOWINGLY MAKES A FALSE STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION as to a material fact in the course of reporting, investigation of, or adjusting a claim for any benefit or payment under this chapter for the purpose of avoiding provision of such payment or benefit SHALL BE GUILTY OF A CRIME AND SUBJECT TO SUBSTANTIAL FINES AND IMPRISONMENT.