

# **Applying For Paid Family Leave**

# To Use Paid Family Leave To:

Assist family members due to Bond with a newborn, a newly Care for a family member with a another family member's active serious health condition adopted or fostered child military duty or impending active duty abroad **Complete Form PFL-1 Complete Form PFL-1 Complete Form PFL-1**  Complete PFL-1, Part A Complete PFL-1, Part A · Complete PFL-1, Part A · Provide PFL-1 to employer • Provide PFL-1 to employer · Provide PFL-1to employer • Employer completes PFL-1, • Employer completes PFL-1, • Employer completes PFL-1, Part B and returns to you Part B and returns to you Part B and returns to you within 3 days within 3 days within 3 days **Complete Form PFL-2 Complete Form PFL-3 Complete Form PFL-5**  Complete PFL-2 and collect · Care recipient completes Complete PFL-5 and collect supporting documentation PFL-3 and provides to health supporting documentation care provider **Send forms** · Care recipient's health care Send forms provider keeps PFL-3 and documents and documents Send completed forms and Send completed forms and **Complete Form PFL-4** supporting documentation to supporting documentation to insurance carrier insurance carrier Complete "Employee" information at the top of • Insurance carrier accepts or • Insurance carrier accepts or PFL-4 denies claim within 18 days denies claim within 18 days · Provide PFL-4 to care recipient's health care provider Care recipient's health care provider completes PFL-4 and returns to you

Please keep a copy of all pages for your records.

 Send completed forms and supporting documentation to

 Insurance carrier accepts or denies claim within 18 days

insurance carrier

Send forms and documents

### Request For Paid Family Leave (Form PFL-1) Instructions

- To request PFL, the employee requesting PFL must complete Part A of the *Request For Paid Family Leave (Form PFL-1)*. All items on the form are required unless noted as optional. The employee then provides the form to the employer to complete Part B.
- The employer completes Part B of the *Request For Paid Family Leave (Form PFL-1)* and returns it to the employee within three days.
- Additional forms are required depending on the type of leave being requested. The employee requesting leave is
  responsible for the completion of these forms.
- The employee submits the completed Request For Paid Family Leave (Form PFL-1) with the required additional form to the employer's PFL insurance carrier listed on Part B of Request For Paid Family Leave (Form PFL-1). The employee should retain a copy of each submitted form for their records.

#### PART A - EMPLOYEE INFORMATION (to be completed by the employee)

The employee requesting PFL must complete all required information.

#### Paid Family Leave (PFL) Request (to be completed by the employee)

**Question 12:** A child is defined as a biological, adopted, or foster son or daughter, a stepson or stepdaughter, a legal ward, a son or daughter of a domestic partner, or the person to whom the employee stands in loco parentis. A parent is defined as a biological, foster, or adoptive parent, parent-in-law, a stepparent, a legal guardian, or other person who stood in loco parentis to the employee when the employee was a child.

**Questions 13:** If dates are "Continuous", the employee must provide the start and end dates of the requested PFL. These dates should be the actual dates that the PFL will begin and end. If uncertain, estimate the start and end dates and indicate "Dates are estimated". If dates are "Periodic", enter the dates PFL will be taken. Please be as specific as possible. If the dates are unknown or estimated, indicate "Dates are

estimated".

If dates are estimated, the PFL carrier may require you to submit a request for payment **after** the PFL day is taken. Payment for approved claims will be due as soon as possible but in no event more than 18 days from the date of the completed request.

**Question 14:** If the employee is submitting the PFL request to their employer with less than 30 days' advance notice from the start date of the PFL, the employee must explain why 30 days' notice could not be given. If the explanation will not fit in the space provided on the form, enter "See Attached" and add an attachment with the explanation. Be sure to include the employee's full name and their date of birth at the top of the attachment.

#### **Employment Information** (to be completed by the employee)

**Question 16:** Enter the date of hire to the best of the employee's recollection. If it has been more than a year since the date of hire, entering the year in which employment started is sufficient.

Question 18: Enter the best estimate of average gross weekly wage. Include only the wages earned from the employer listed on this request form. The gross weekly wage is the total weekly pay - including overtime, tips, bonuses and commissions - before any deductions are made by the employer, such as federal and state taxes. If the employer is not able to supply this information, the employee can calculate their gross weekly wage as follows:

**Step 1:** Add all gross wages received (<u>before</u> any deductions) over the last eight weeks prior to the start of PFL, including overtime and tips earned. (*See Step 3 for instructions for calculating bonuses and/or commissions.*)

**Step 2:** Divide the gross wages calculated in step one by eight (or the number of weeks worked if less than eight) to calculate the average weekly wage.

**Step 3:** If the employee received bonuses and/or commissions during the 52 weeks preceding PFL, add

the prorated weekly amount to the average weekly wage. To determine the prorated weekly amount, add all bonuses/commissions earned in the preceding 52 weeks and then divide by 52.

Example of a gross weekly wage calculation:

Week 1 - Gross wage including overtime Week 2 - Gross wage Week 3 - Gross wage Week 4 - Gross wage	\$550 \$500 \$500 \$500
Week 5 - Gross wage Week 6 - Gross wage	\$500 \$500
Week 6 - Gross wage Week 7 - Gross wage, including overtime Week 8 - Gross wage, including overtime	\$600 + \$550
Total = Divide by 8	\$4,200 ÷ 8
Average Weekly Wage =	\$525
Bonus earned in preceding 52 weeks Divide by 52	\$2,600 ÷ 52
Prorated Weekly Bonus =	\$50

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#### PART A - EMPLOYEE INFORMATION (to be completed by the employee) - continued from prior page

\$575

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\$525 Average Weekly Wage **Prorated Weekly Bonus** \$50

#### Average Weekly Wage (including bonus) =

Please note that the employer is also required to provide this information in Part B of the Request For Paid Family Leave (Form PFL-1).

If you are pre-submitting form: Indicate if the employee is pre-submitting their PFL request. Pre-submitting is defined as If the carrier or self-insured employer does not permit presubmitting the application in advance of an upcoming qualifying event, with certain required information missing due to the information being unknown at the time of the submitting. If pre-submitting is permitted by the carrier

or self-insured employer, the missing information must be supplied as soon as it is known. Benefits cannot be determined until all of the required information is provided.

The PFL insurance carrier or self-insured employer will provide the employee a notice within five days which 1) states the claim is pending; 2) identifies what information is missing: 3) instructs how to submit the missing information. Once all information is supplied, the PFL insurance carrier or self-insured employer has 18 days to pay or deny the claim.

submitting, the carrier or self-insured employer must return the Request for Paid Family Leave within five days to the employee with an explanation that the claim should be resubmitted when all information is available.

Employee signs and dates, before giving this form to their employer to complete Part B.

#### PART B - EMPLOYER INFORMATION (to be completed by the employer)

#### The employer of the employee requesting PFL must complete all information in Part B.

Question 2: If a Social Security Number is used for the Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN), enter the Social Security Number.

**Question 3:** Enter the employer's Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code. Contact your carrier if you don't know your SIC code.

Question 8: The employee occupation code can be found at: www.bls.gov/soc/2010/soc alph.htm

Question 9: Enter the wages earned by the employee during the last eight weeks preceding the PFL start date. The gross amount paid is the employee's gross weekly pay, including any overtime and tips earned for that week, plus the weekly prorated amount of any bonus or commission received during the preceding 52 weeks. (For detailed steps, see Question 18 starting on page 1 of the instructions.) Calculate the gross average weekly wage by adding up the gross amounts paid, and then divide by eight (or number of weeks worked if less than eight).

Question 10: Failure to select "Yes" for requesting reimbursement from the insurance carrier, will result in a waiver of the right to reimbursement.

Question 11a: 'Disability' refers to NYS statutory required disability. If the answer is "none," enter a "0" for total weeks and days in Question 12b.

**Question 11b:** The maximum number of weeks available for NYS statutory disability and PFL in any 52 week period is 26 weeks. Specify the total number of weeks, as well as the number of additional days if the leave includes a partial week, taken for NYS statutory disability and PFL during the preceding 52 weeks.

Question 13, 14 & 15: Enter the Paid Family Leave or Disability/PFL insurance carrier's name, address and PFL policy number. If this employer is self-insured, enter the name and address of where the PFL request should be submitted for processing.

Affirmation employee is eligible for PFL: An employee who regularly works 20 hours or more per week must have been in employment for at least 26 consecutive weeks. An employee who regularly works less than 20 hours per week must have worked 175 days.

Employer signs and dates, and then returns to the employee requesting PFL within three business days.

Be sure to complete the appropriate additional PFL form(s) based on the type of PFL leave being requested.

#### Notification Pursuant to the New York Personal Privacy Protection Law (Public Officers Law Article 6-A) and the Federal Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552a).

The Workers' Compensation Board's (Board's) authority to request that employees provide personal information, including their social security number or tax identification number, is derived from the Board's administrative authority under Workers' Compensation Law section 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 records. Providing your social security number or tax identification number to the Board is voluntary. 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.

Form PFL-1 Instructions

Please complete this form and return to: Cigna, P.O. Box 29050, Phoenix, AZ 85038-9050 If you need assistance please call 888.842.4462 809004307



# **Request For Paid Family Leave**

(Form PFL-1)

**INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED WITH FORM** 

PA	<b>NRT A - EMPLOYEE INFORMATION</b> (to be completed by	y the employee)							
1.	Employee's legal name (first name, middle initial, last name)	Optional (for research purposes)							
2.	Other last names, if any, under which employee has worked	10. Employee's ethnicity/race For purposes of health demographic only. (U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) code set, version 1.0.)							
3.	Employee's mailing address Street address	Is employee of Hispanic, Latino/a, or Spanish origin? (One or more categories may be selected.)  Mexican							
	City, State	Mexican American Chicano/a Puerto Rican							
	Zip code Country (if not U.S.A.)	Dominican Cuban							
4.	Employee's Social Security Number or TIN	Another Hispanic, Latino/a, or Spanish origin  Not of Hispanic, Latino/a, or Spanish origin  Unknown							
5.	Employee's date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY)  / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /	What is employee's race? (One or more categories may be selected.)  American Indian or Alaska Native							
6.	Employee's primary telephone number (	Black or African American Asian Indian							
7.	Employee's preferred email address while on PFL (if available)	Chinese Filipino Japanese							
8.	Employee's gender  Male Not designated/Other	Korean Vietnamese Other Asian							
9.	Employee's preferred language  English Español Pусский Polski  中文 Italiano Kreyòl ayisyen 한국어  Other	White Native Hawaiian Guamanian or Chamorro Samoan Other Pacific Islander Other race							
Pa	Paid Family Leave (PFL) Request (to be completed by the employee)								
11.	Reason for PFL request: Bond with child Care for famil	ly member Military qualifying event							
12.	The family member is employee's:  Child Spouse Domestic partner Parent Parent	nt-in-law Grandparent Grandchild  Form PFL-1 continued on next page							

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EMPLOYEE							
<b>Employee's name</b> (first name, middle initial, last name)	Employee's date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY)						
PART A - EMPLOYEE INFORMATION (to be completed by the employee) - continued from prior page							
Form PFL-1 continued from prior page							
13. Will PFL be for a continuous period of time and/or periodic?							
PFL start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	PFL end date (MM/DD/YYYY)						
Continuous / / / /	/ Dates are estimated						
Identify dates periodic PFL will be taken:	Dates are estimated						
Periodic							
remodic							
14. If providing less than 30 day's advance notice to the employer, p	olease explain:						
<b>Employment Information</b> (to be completed by the	employee)						
15. Business name							
16. Employee's date of hire (MM/DD/YYYY)							
17. Employee's work location							
Street address							
City, State	Zip code Country (if not U.S.A.)						
18. Employee's average gross weekly wage (This data will be requested	of both employee and employer)						
19. Employer's telephone number for contact regarding this reques	rt (						
20a. Does employee have more than one employer? Yes	No						
20b. If yes, is employee taking PFL from the other employer?	Yes No						
21. Is employee currently receiving Workers' Compensation Lost Wa	age Benefits? Yes No						
Disclosure statement: Information regarding PFL benefits received by the	employee, such as payments received and types of leave, will be provided to the employer.						
Please be advised that if your employer, union, and/or group association sponsors any other plans, whether or not underwritten or administered by a Cigna company, the information and/or records obtained in connection with your application for benefits may also be shared with the underwriting company (insurer) or							
administrators of those other plans, including their internal or external healt	th management, disease management, wellness, employee/member assistance program						
or other similar programs, for the purpose of administering any service, benefit or feature described in those plans.							
Declaration and signature							
Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any							
materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.							
I am hereby making a request for paid family leave benefits under the NYS Workers' Compensation Law. My signature affirms that the information I am providing is true							
and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.							
Employee's signature	Date signed (MM/DD/YYYY)						
Lam submitting this form in advance (see instructions about pre-submitt	ting). I understand the insurance carrier will contact me to advise how to submit the						
required missing information	angle and column the mountaine current will contact the to daylor now to subfill the						

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EMPLOYEE											
Employee's name (first name, middle initial, last name)  Employee's date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY)											
PART B - EMPLOYER INFORMATION (to be completed by the employer)											
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Business na	me										
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Mailing addi	Mailing address										
City, State	City, State Zip code Country (if not U.S.A.)										
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	yel 31 Elik (Optional)	(SIC) Code (Ontional)									
	yer's Standard Industrial Classification yer's contact name for questions relate	-									
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5. Employ	yer's contact telephone number	(									
	yer's contact email address	, , ,									
7. Employ	yee's date of hire (MM/DD/YYYY)										
8. Employ	<b>yee's occupation</b> Codes are available at: $\underline{v}$	vww.bls.gov/soc/2010/soc_a	alph.htm								
9. Enter t	he last 8 weeks of gross wages for the	employee and calculate th	he average gross weekly wag	ge							
Week no.	Week no.   Week ending date (MM/DD/YYYY)   Number of days worked   Gross amount paid										
1											
2											
3											
4											
5											
6											
7											
8											
Calculated average gross <u>weekly</u> wage:											
	10. Will you be requesting reimbursement for advance payment of PFL benefits or payments in like manner as wages made to the employee?*										
	Yes No										
10a. For continuous leaves only:  Please provide the end date for reimbursements: / / / /											
10b. For intermittent leaves only:											
Do you wish to be reimbursed for all intermittent absences?* All payments for intermittent absences relating to a single leave request must be issued to the											
same payee. Yes No *By checking "Yes" you certify that you are lawfully entitled to receive the requested reimbursements for payments made to the employee.											
Form PFL-1 continued on next page											

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Employee's name (first name, middle initial, last name)			Employee's date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY)									
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		ng 52 weeks has the emplo	oyee taken lea	ve fo	or:	[	NYS	Disabilit	ty	P	FL	Both Disability and PFL None
11b. Enter the total number of weeks and days taken for both Disability and PFL in the last 52 weeks:												
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	Disabilitas											
	Disability:	Days										
		Weeks	Please provide s	Please provide specific dates for PFL:								
	DEL.											
	PFL:	Days										
12.	Is the employed	e taking Family Medical Le	ave Act (FMLA)	con	curren	tly w	ith PFL?	,				Yes No
13.	PFL insurance carrier's name and mailing address											
PFL insurance carrier's name												
	Mailing address	rance Company of New Yo	TK (CLICNY)									
	PO Box 29050											
	City, State					Zi	p code					Country (if not U.S.A.)
	Phoenix, AZ					8.	5038-90	50				
14.	PFL insurance c	arrier's telephone number	· (	8	8 8	8 )	8 4	2	- 4	4	6 2	
15.	PFL policy num	ber				_						_
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	ne person authorize nd accurate.	d to sign as the employer of the e	mployee requestin	ıg PF	L. My sig	gnatur	e affirms t	that to tl	he best	of my k	nowle	edge and belief, the information I have provided is
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