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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

### DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

LAFAYETTE CITY CENTER, 2 AVENUE DE LAFAYETTE, BOSTON, MA 02111 (617) 727-4900 – www.mass.gov/dia

As required by Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 152, Sections 21, 22 & 30, this will give you notice that I/We have provided for payment to our injured employees under the above-mentioned chapter by insuring with:

NAME OF INSURANCE COMPANY  ADDRESS OF INSURANCE COMPANY			
NAME OF INSURANCE AGENT	ADDRESS	PHONE #	
EMPLOYER	ADDRESS		
EMPLOYER'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION OFFICER (IF ANY)		DATE	

### MEDICAL TREATMENT

The above-named insurer is required in cases of personal injuries arising out of and in the course of employment to furnish adequate and reasonable hospital and medical services in accordance with the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act. The employee may select his or her own physician. The reasonable and necessary costs of the services provided by the treating physician will be paid by the insurer if the treatment is connected to the work-related injury.

The above-named insurer has a preferred provider arrangement, in the cases requiring hospital attention, employees are hereby notified that the insurer has arranged for such care at:

NAME OF HOSPITAL

ADDRESS

TO BE POSTED BY EMPLOYER



### Notice of Benefits Available Under M.G.L. Chapter 175M

# Paid Family and Medical Leave (PFML)

#### **Available Leave**

Covered individuals may be entitled to family and medical leave for the following reasons:

- up to 20 weeks of paid medical leave in a benefit year if they have a serious health condition that incapacitates them from work.
- up to 12 weeks of paid family leave in a benefit year related to the birth, adoption, or foster care placement of a child, to care for a family member with a serious health condition, or because of a qualifying exigency arising out of the fact that a family member is on active duty or has been notified of an impending call to active duty in the Armed Forces.
- up to 26 weeks of paid family leave in a benefit year to care for a family member who is a covered service member with a serious health condition.

Covered individuals are eligible for no more than 26 total weeks, in the aggregate, of paid family and medical leave in a single benefit year.

#### **Benefits**

To fund PFML benefits, employers may deduct payroll contributions of up to 0.46% (adjusted annually) from a covered individual's wages or other earnings. A covered individual's average weekly earnings will determine his or her benefit amount, for a maximum weekly benefit of up to \$ 1,149.90 (adjusted annually).

#### Who is a Covered Individual Under the Law?

Generally, a worker qualifies as a covered individual eligible for PFML benefits if they are:

- covered by unemployment insurance in Massachusetts and paid wages by a Massachusetts employer; or
- a self-employed individual who resides and works in Massachusetts and chooses to opt-in to the program; and
- has earned at least 30 times the expected benefit and at least \$6,300 (adjusted annually) in the last four completed quarters preceding the application for benefits.

Job Protection
Generally, an employee who has taken paid family or medical leave
must be restored to the employee's previous position or to an equal
position, with the same status, pay, employment benefits, length-of-
service credit, and seniority as of the date of leave.

These job protections do not apply to former employees, independent contractors, or self-employed individuals.

#### Health Insurance -

Employers must provide for, contribute to, or otherwise maintain the employee's employment-related health insurance benefits, if any, at the level and under the conditions coverage would have been provided if the employee had continued working continuously for the duration of such leave.

#### **Private Plans**

If an employer offers employees paid family leave, medical leave, or both, with benefits that are at least as generous as those provided under the law, the employer may apply for an exemption from paying the contributions. Employees continue to be protected from discrimination and retaliation under the law even when an employer opts to provide paid leave benefits through a private plan.

Name of Private Insurer:	_ Private plan is for: $\square$ Medical $\square$ Family $\square$ Both
Address:	_ Phone:
City State & 7in Code:	Wehsite

#### No Retaliation or Discrimination

- It is unlawful for an employer to discriminate or retaliate against an employee for exercising any right to which s/he
  is entitled under the law.
- An employee or former employee who is discriminated or retaliated against for exercising rights under the law may, not
  more than three years after the violation occurs, institute a civil action in the superior court, and may be entitled
  to damages of as much as three times his or her lost wages.

If you have questions or concerns about your PFML rights, call:



(833) 344-7365 or visit: https://www.mass.gov/DFML