Certification for <u>Serious Injury or Illness of Covered Servicemember for Military Family Leave</u> Family and Medical Leave Policy for Employees of Maine State Government (FMLPMSG)

Notice to the EMPLOYER INSTRUCTIONS to the EMPLOYER: FMLPMSG requires an employee seeking FML due to a serious injury or illness of a covered servicemember to submit a certification providing sufficient facts to support the request for leave. You may not ask the employee to provide more information than covered in this form. Employers must generally maintain records and documents relating to medical certifications, recertifications, or medical histories of employees or employees' family members, created for FMLPMSG purposes as confidential medical records in separate files/records from the usual personnel files and in accordance with state and federal law and regulations.

SECTION I: For Completion by the EMPLOYEE and/or the COVERED SERVICEMEMBER for whom the Employee is Requesting Leave INSTRUCTIONS to the EMPLOYEE or COVERED SERVICEMEMBER: Please complete Section I before having Section II completed. The FMLPMSG requires that an employee submit a timely, complete, and sufficient certification to support a request for FML due to a serious injury or illness of a covered servicemember. Your response is required to obtain or retain the benefit of FMLPMSG Failure to do so may result in a denial of an employee's FML request. You have 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 or (3) a DOD non-network TRICARE authorized private health care provider INSTRUCTIONS to the HEALTH CARE PROVIDER: The employee listed on Page 2 has requested leave under the FMLPMSG to care for a family member who is a 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 FML, a serious injury or illness is one that was incurred in the line of duty on active duty that may render the servicemember medically unfit to perform the duties of his or her office, grade, rank, or rating.

A complete and sufficient certification to support a request for FML due to a covered 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 and that the 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 FML coverage. Limit your responses to the condition for which the employee is seeking leave.

Date form provided to employee_____

SECTION I: For Completion by the EMPLOYEE and/or the COVERED SERVICEMEMBER for whom the Employee Is Requesting Leave: (This section must be completed first before any of the below sections can be completed by a health care provider.)

Part A: EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

Name and Address of Employer (this is the employer of the employee requesting leave to care for covered servicemember):

Name of Employee Requesting Leave to Care for Covered Servicemember:

Middle Last First Name of Covered Servicemember (for whom employee is requesting leave to care): First Middle Last Relationship of Employee to Covered Servicemember Requesting Leave to Care: Parent Son Daughter Next of Kin Spouse PART B: COVERED SERVICEMEMBER INFORMATION (1) Is the Covered Servicemember a Current Member of the Regular Armed Forces, the National Guard or Reserves? ____Yes ___No If yes, please provide the covered servicemember's military branch, rank and unit currently assigned to: Is the covered servicemember assigned to a military medical treatment facility as an outpatient or to a unit established for the purpose of providing command and control of members of the Armed Forces receiving medical care as outpatients (such as a medical hold or warrior transition unit)? ____Yes ___No If yes, please provide the name of the medical treatment facility or unit:

(2) Is the Covered Servicemember on the Temporary Disability List (TDRL)? ____Yes ____No

PART C: CARE TO BE PROVIDED TO THE COVERED SERVICEMEMBER

Describe the Care to Be Provided to the Covered Servicemember and an Estimate of the Leave Needed to Provide the Care:

SECTION II: For Completion by a United State 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; or (3) a DOD non-network TRICARE authorized private health care provider; or (3) a DOD non-network TRICARE authorized private health care provider; or (3) a DOD non-network TRICARE authorized private health care provider. If you are unable to make certain of the military-related determination 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:

Phone Fax

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; or (4) a DOD non-network TRICARE authorized private health care provider:

PART B: MEDICAL STATUS

(1) Covered Servicemember's medical condition is classified as (CheckOne of the Approprite 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 that 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 the covered family member with a "serious health condition." If such leave is requested, you will be required to complete Certification of Health Care Provider for Family Member's Serious Health Condition.)

- (2) Was the condition for which the Covered Service member is being treated incurred in line of duty on active duty in the armed forces? <u>Yes</u> No
- (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? ____Yes ____No. If yes, please describe medical treatment, recuperation or therapy:

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

(1) Will the covered servicemember need care for a one or more continuous periods of time, including any time for treatment or recovery? ___Yes ___No

If yes, estimate the beginning and ending dates for this period of time:

- (2) Will the covered servicemember require periodic follow-up treatment appointments? ____Yes ___No If yes, estimate the treatment schedule:_____
- (3) Is there a medical necessity for the covered servicemember to have periodic care for these follow-up treatment appointments? ___Yes ___No
- (4) Is there a medical necessity for the covered servicemember to have periodic care for other than scheduled follow-up treatment appointments (e.g., episodic flare-ups of medical condition)? ____Yes ____No If yes, please estimate the frequency and duration of the periodic care:

Signature of Health Care Provider:_____ Date:_____