Jefferson County Education Service District

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Fitness-for-Duty Certification

[NOTE: THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED WITH THE CERTIFICATION TO THE EMPLOYEE – DELETE THIS PARAGRAPH PRIOR TO REVIEW AND POSTING FOR USE. Instructions for use of this sample form: In order to condition an employee's return to work for the employee's own serious health condition on a Fitness-for-Duty Certification form, the district must have notified the employee in the Eligibility Notice that a fitness-for-duty certification would be required before returning to work. If the district did not require a fitness-for-duty certification in the Eligibility Notice, once an employee comes back, if the district has concerns (based on evidence, not speculation) about the employee's ability to perform the job, the district can get a fitness-for-duty certification based on the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA), rather than the Oregon Family Leave Act (OFLA). Under OFLA, the district cannot obtain a second opinion for fitness-for-duty certification, and fitness-for-duty certifications must be sought pursuant to uniformly applied policy. The district must pay any out-of-pocket expenses paid to obtain a fitness-for-duty examination. This is a sample fitness-for-duty certification.]

To: Date:

From:

Subject: Fitness-for-Duty Certification

Oregon Family Leave Act (OFLA) for your own serious health condition ends on (date) . Prior to returning to work you must provide a Fitness-for-Duty Certification verifying whether you are able to return to work, if you have any job-related restrictions and the duration of any restrictions. Please take this Fitness-for-Duty Certification to your health care provider for completion. The district will use this Fitness-for-Duty Certification to determine if you are able to return to work after your leave.

Return the completed Fitness-for-Duty Certification to the district prior to the end of your OFLA leave or by (date) .

Fitness-for-Duty Certification

Health Care Provider Completes this Section

Instructions: Please complete all sections in order for the district to determine if the employee is able to return to duty. The employee's position description or a list of essential duties (district specifies which) is attached to this form.

1. The employee is able to return to work full-time without restrictions: ☐ Yes ☐ No

    a. If yes, list the effective date .
    b. If no, complete the following:

        (1) The employee will be able to return to work with no limitation on (date) .

(2) I certify that from (date) to (date) the above named employee will be:

(a) Unable to perform the physical requirements of their work; or
(b) Is medically incapacitated: ☐ Totally ☐ Partially**

**If partially medically incapacitated, complete the following:

(c) Number of hours per day employee is able to work: .

(d) Number of days per week employee is able to work: .

(3) List any restrictions on the employee's work:

Printed Name of Health Care Provider Type of Practice

Signature - Health Care Provider Date

Health care provider: Please return the completed form to the employee/patient.

Attached: Position description/description of essential duties (district specifies which).