SDI Online Tips for Claimants

The following information will assist you in creating a State Disability Insurance (SDI) Online account, and filing your Disability Insurance (DI) or Paid Family Leave (PFL) claim through SDI Online.

Getting Started

To create an SDI Online account, you will need:

- Legal name.
- Valid e-mail address.
- Date of birth.
- Social Security number.
- California Driver License or California Identification Card number.
- Physical and mailing address.
- Valid phone number.

Using SDI Online

To file a DI or PFL claim through SDI Online, you will need:

- Your most current employer's business name, telephone number, and mailing address as stated on your W2 form and/or paycheck stub.
- The last date you worked your regular or customary duties and hours.
- The date you began working less than full duty or modified duty.
- Wages you received or expect to receive from your employer, sick leave, paid time off (PTO), vacation pay, annual leave, and wages earned after you stopped working.
- Workers' Compensation claim information, if applicable.
- The name, address, and telephone number, if any, of the alcoholic recovery home or drug-treatment facility where you are currently receiving in-patient treatment.

Additional information needed to file a PFL Bonding claim through SDI Online:

- The child's date of birth, name, gender, residence address of the child, and Social Security number (if available).
- Your relationship to the child.
- The date of foster care or adoption placement, if applicable.
- Proof of relationship with one of the following information:
 - Child's birth certificate.
 - Child's hospital birth certificate.
 - Declaration of Paternity, CS-909.
 - Foster Care Placement Record, SOC-815, or official letter from foster care agency.
 - Adoptive Placement Agreement, AD-907.
 - Independent Adoption Placement Agreement, AD-924.
 - Or other evidence of relationship.

You are responsible for obtaining a Physician/Practitioner Certification for your disability. Your claim will be returned if the Physician/Practitioner Certification is not received within 30 days. Provide the receipt number to your physician/practitioner after you have filed.

Please note that your employer will be notified that you have submitted a DI or PFL claim. However, your detailed claim information is confidential and will not be shared with your employer.

