

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration

Administrator Guide to the State of Wisconsin Medical Leave & FMLA Application

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How to Access Leave Requests

- 1. Go to https://fmla.wi.gov
- 2. Enter your IAM in the User ID field and your password (this the same password you use to log into STAR/PeopleSoft)
- 3. Click Sign In



4. The following screen will be displayed. Click on **Medical Leave Coordinators** to access requests that have been submitted. You must have the security role of **Agency FMLA Coordinator** in the STAR Human Resources system to access the Medical Leave Coordinators section of this application.

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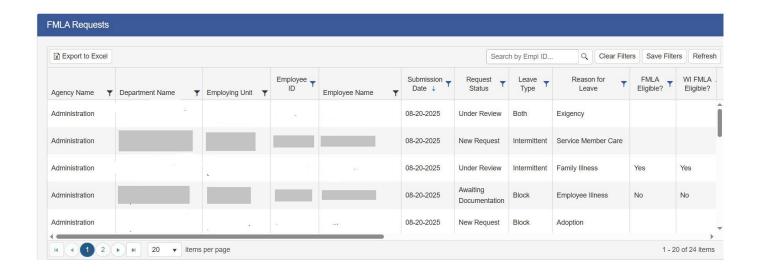


Medical Leave Coordinators

For Medical Leave Coordinators only. Click above link to review requests.

Administrator Guide to the FMLA System

6. All requests within your row-level security as defined in STAR HCM will appear within the Medical Leave Coordinators workspace. For example, if you have regional security, you will see requests for your entire region. If you have agency or departmental security, you will see requests within the agency or department. To review the details of a specific request, click anywhere within the request's row.



How to Navigate the FMLA Requests Page

The following fields are displayed on the FMLA Requests Page:

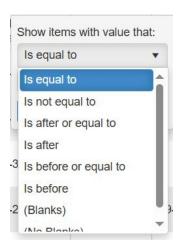
- Agency Name
- o Department Name
- Employing Unit
- Employee ID
- o Employee Name
- o Submission Date
- o Request Status
- Leave Type (Block, Intermittent, or Both)
- Reason for Leave (Birth, Adoption, Foster Care, Employee Illness, Family Member Illness, Service member Care, Exigency)
- FMLA Eligible
- WI FMLA Eligible
- o Awaiting Return-to-Work Documentation
- o Anticipated Return-to-Work Date
- O Work Restrictions Apply?
- o Next Follow-Up Appt. Date
- o Med Cert Due Date
- Frequency Duration
- Assigned Coordinator

There are several tools available to help you navigate the FMLA Requests Page.

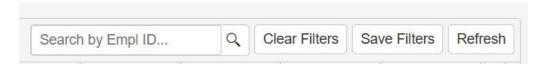
1. Click on any of the **header rows** to sort the information in either ascending or descending order alphabetically (an arrow ↑ will appear in the column header to let you know that sorting is on that column).



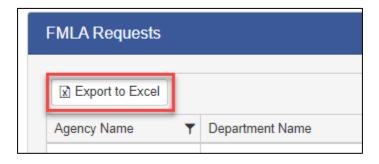
- 2. Click on the filter icon in any header column to filter information within the column.
 - o Select the value(s) next to the information you want to filter and click the **Filter** button.



- o Click Clear within a specific filter remove.
- 3. The Search box allows you to search by Employee ID only. When you enter the Employee ID, all requests associated with the Employee ID will display on the FMLA Requests Page.
- 4. The Clear Filters button at the upper right of the FMLA Requests grid allows you to clear all filters in place.
- 5. The Save Filters button allows you to save filter and grid settings until cleared.
- 6. The **Refresh** button is used to obtain the latest data and retains any filters and/or grid settings in place.

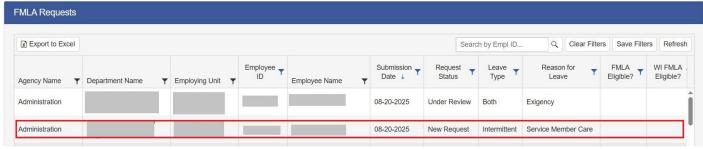


7. The **Export to Excel** button will allows you to export the results displayed on the grid to Excel. You can export all records or records based on active filters.



Reviewing and Accepting an FMLA Request

1. From the FMLA Requests grid, click anywhere in the row of the request that you would like to review.



- When clicked, a request will open in a new tab. On this screen you may review all details of the request and upload files on behalf of the employee. The information on this page is exactly what the employee sees relative to their request.
 - Email Notifications You will see copies of all system-generated notifications sent via email.
 - Documents You will see any documents uploaded to the request. To upload documents not automatically visible to the employee, upload from the Check List page.

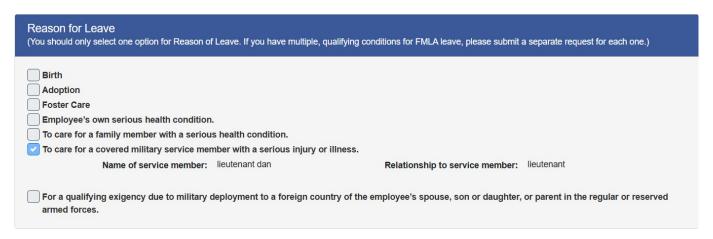


- The following **Attachment Types** are available:
 - Employee Certification from Health Care Provider
 - Family Member Certification from Health Care Provider
 - Fitness for Duty Certification Return to Work
 - Doctor's Note
 - Military Certification/Orders
 - Non-FMLA Documents (e.g. Leave of Absence)
 - Email
 - Other
- The following file types can be uploaded into the application with a maximum file size per document of 20Mb:
 - PDF, JPG, JPEG, TIFF, MSG, DOC, DOCX, XLS, and XLSX
 - PDF
 - JPG and JPEG (image files)
 - TIFF
 - MSG
 - Word documents (.doc, .docx)
 - Excel documents (.xls, .xlsx)

- Employee Information This section is populated from STAR HCM. The employee can update their personal email, phone number during leave and home address.
- Information about Additional Jobs If an employee has more than one Empl Record, the additional jobs will be displayed.



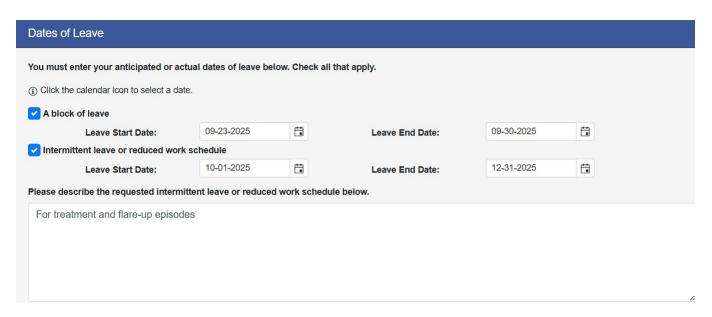
Reason for Leave – The employee can select only one option.



Leave Request Explanation – This is the employee's leave request explanation, 5 to 500 characters.

Leave Request Explanation When my own serious health condition flares up it prevents me from performing all essential job duties.

 Dates of Leave – The employee can enter a block of leave and/or intermittent or reduced work schedule leave. This section also includes a section to describe the requested intermittent leave or reduced work schedule (up to 500 characters in length).



Leave Usage – The employee can check boxes next to the leave type(s) they want to use during their leave, with the most recent leave balances from STAR HCM auto-populating. Unpaid Leave hours must be numeric; the employee will receive an error message text is entered and they click Review & Submit.

Leave Usage What type(s) of leave do you plan on using during your FMLA-related absence? Check all applicable leave type(s). Leave balance as of 09-06-2025 Sick Leave Sick Leave Balance: 351.5 Vacation Vacation Balance: 61.38 Personal Holiday Personal Holiday Balance: 16 Legal Holiday Legal Holiday Balance: 32 Sabbatical Balance: 0 Sabbatical Comp Time Comp Balance: Unpaid Leave Enter the number of unpaid hours of leave you expect to use (if known). 40

Please note that using Unpaid Leave will reduce annual vacation balances and other paid leave amounts.

- Submission Acknowledgement This section provides the name of the person who submitted the request and the submission date.
 - You will see a **Submit Request** and an **Update** button on this page because these buttons are also available to the employee. **DO NOT click these buttons**. If you need to make changes to the request, you will use the **Edit** button at the top of the page. See How to Edit a Request for details.

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Submission Acknowledgement: If this leave is approved, any absence from work will be charged against the W Supporting documentation may need to be submitted; (3) An employee who fraudulently obtains Family and Med restoration or maintenance of health benefits provisions. In addition, the State may take all available appropriate fraud; (4) Employees are required to follow standard call-in procedures for approved intermittent FMLA absences procedures until receiving notice of approval for a continuous FMLA leave; and (6) Entering your name below ind provided in the application is true, to the best of your knowledge. Name of Person Submitting Request	disciplinary action against such employee due to such s; (5) Employees are required to follow standard call-in
Submission Date 09-23-2025	
	Submit Reques pdate

3. If the request is in a **New Request** status (the application status is displayed in the upper left of the page), click the **Accept Request** button at the top of the page to assign the request to yourself.



- 4. Once you accept the request, the status of the request will change to **Under Review** and the buttons available at the top of the page will update.
 - Extend or Modify DO NOT USE, this is for employees only to update the information in their request.
 - Withdraw Can be used by the employee or Medical Coordinator to withdraw the request.
 - Check List Will open a new tab to the FMLA HR Check List and FMLA Coordinator Workspace sections.
 - Edit Used by the Medical Coordinator to edit a request (reason, dates, justification etc.).
 - Delete Used by the Medical Coordinator to delete request and generally not recommended for use. If there
 is an issue with a request such as a duplicate submission, use the Withdraw button and document the reason
 for withdrawal for recordkeeping purposes.
 - Audit Log Will bring you to a log of all the different iterations of the request.
 - o **Back to HR List** Will bring you back to the FMLA Requests page.

Medical Coordinator Administrative Page (FMLA HR Check List & FMLA Coordinator Workspace)

This is the administrative page for reviewing eligibility, making an FMLA determination and other associated information. The Eligibility Notice is created from the FMLA HR Check List section, and the Designation Notice is created from the FMLA Coordinator Workspace section.

Accessing the Medical Coordinator Administrative Page

1. You can access the page from a request that is in any status except Draft. If a request is in Draft status, the employee has not submitted the request yet so the page is not available.

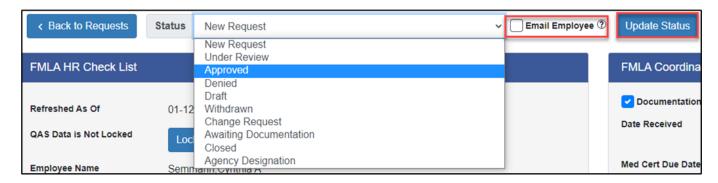
- 2. When you access a specific request, the View Request tab opens. The request Status appears at the top left of the page. This status may be updated automatically by the system and/or manually updated by the Medical Coordinator.
- 3. To open the FMLA HR Checklist tab, click on the **Check List** button at the top of the page to access the page.

Status: Under Review	Extend or Modify	Withdraw	Check List	Edit	Delete	Audit Log	Back To HR List

4. When work is complete, you may close out of the View Request and FMLA HR Checklist tabs Check List tabs to return to the main FMLA Requests page.



To manually update the Status, click on the drop down arrow to select the applicable status and then click the
 Update Status button. You will also see a checkbox with the option to "Email Employee". If this box is
 checked, a system-generated email will be sent to the employee. See System Notification for content.



Understanding Request Statuses

Status	Definition	How Updated	
Draft	Request started but not submitted by the employee	Automatically assigned by the system when the employee saves their request.	
New Request	Request submitted by employee but not assigned to a Medical Coordinator	Automatically assigned by the system when employee submits their request.	
Under Review	Request is assigned to a coordinator and is under initial review	Automatically assigned by the system when coordinator "Accepts" request.	
Change Request	Employee uses the Extend or Modify button to make changes to the original request after it has been accepted by the coordinator.	Automatically assigned by the system when employee submits a change request. The original coordinator is still assigned to the request, but the status is updated to Change Request. The assigned coordinator will also receive system notification of the employee's change to their request.	
Withdrawn	Employees or coordinator submits a request to withdraw application	Automatically assigned by the system when employee or coordinator withdraws the request. If the request has been accepted by a coordinator at the time of withdrawal, the coordinator will receive system notification.	
Approved	Status once the request is approved and a Designation Notice has been created	Medical coordinator must manually update the status to Approved.	
Denied	Status once the request has been Denied	Medical coordinator must manually update the status to Denied.	
Awaiting Documentation	Status when Medical Coordinator is awaiting documentation, generally the medical certification/recertification. There is a report that returns all requests in an Awaiting Documentation status.	Medical coordinator must manually update the status to Awaiting Documentation.	
Agency Designation	Status when the agency designates the leave and checks the box next to Agency Designation in the FMLA Coordinator Workspace	Medical coordinator must manually update the status to Agency Designation.	
Closed	Status when the leave period is over and all required documentation has been received. Also used for terminated employees.	Medical coordinator may manually update the status to Closed, or the system will automatically close an Approved or Agency Designation request 30 days after the latest "End Date" on the request.	

The Medical Coordinator may also modify any request to the appropriate status if an error is made, or a request needs to revert to a previous status. Also, see System Notifications for situations and content of emails that can be generated and sent by the system.

FMLA HR Check List

The FMLA HR Check List is meant to help Medical Coordinators determine and document eligibility.

Information from STAR HCM

1. The following fields are populated from STAR HCM:



- Refreshed As Of This is the last time information was pulled from STAR HCM and will refresh every time the Check List is accessed.
 - If you click the Lock button alongside Query Access Service (QAS), the values will no longer automatically refresh unless Refresh is clicked.
- o Employee Name
- Continuous Service Date
- FMLA Hours Used YTD (this will only pull in hours used that have been confirmed through Payroll)
- o Enrolled in ICI (if checked, the employee is enrolled in Income Continuation Insurance)

Information Entered by Medical Coordinator

The remainder of the values in the FMLA HR Check List must be manually completed.



FMLA Eligibility Criteria

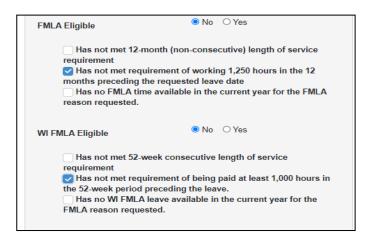
- Federal FMLA Eligibility Criteria: At least one year of state service (does not have to be continuous) and must have worked 1,250 hours in the 12 months before the start of leave (does not include leave).
- Wisconsin FMLA Eligibility Criteria: At least 52 weeks of continuous state service and must have been paid (includes leave codes) 1,000 hours in the 52 weeks prior to the start of leave.

Calculating FMLA Eligibility

- 1. Verify employee has at least one year of service from the **Continuous Service Date**. If less than one year, run the WI_HR_PER_ROSTER query (see the <u>STAR Human Resources HCM Reports section</u>) and/or review their job/employment data from the Workforce Administrator>Human Resources>Job tabs within STAR HCM.
- 2. In STAR HCM, run the WI_ABS_TL_HOURS_FMLA query to Excel.



- o If first day of leave for the request is 1/1/2021, your date inputs would be 1/1/2020 − 12/31/2020.
- o Filter the Time Reporting Codes (TRCs) needed for each category, total the hours, and enter the values. Only whole numbers can be entered in these fields.
 - For hours paid, filter out any TRCs like "standby supplemental" or "holiday half hour paid".
 - For hours worked, filter out all leave TRC's.
- If you determine the employee is eligible for FMLA and/or WI FMLA, check the radio button next to Yes.
- If you determine the employee is not eligible for FMLA and/or WI FMLA, check the radio button next to No and select the applicable reason.



 Keep in mind that even if an employee is not eligible for FMLA or WI FMLA, they may be eligible for other protected leave programs. If they are eligible for any of the leave programs below, check the applicable box.

Eligible for Other Leave Provisions					
■ ER 18.14 ■ Non-FMLA Medical Leave ②	Reasonable Accommodation (?)				

Eligibility Notice

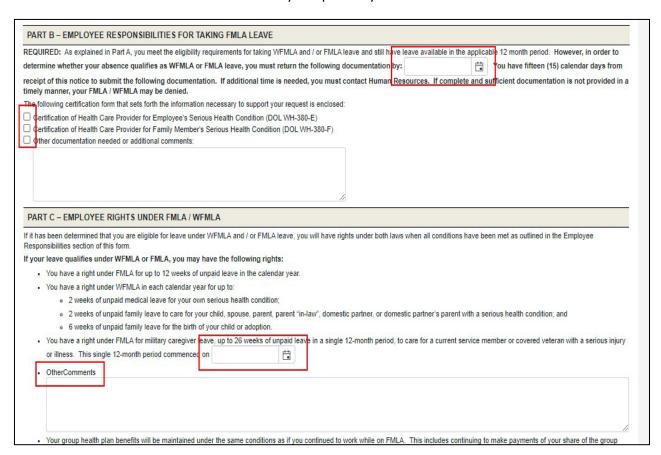
1. Once you have determined eligibility and are ready to create the notice, check the **Display Eligibility** checkbox and click on the **Save and Create Eligibility Notice** at the bottom of the FMLA HR Check List.



- 2. Per federal law, the Eligibility Notice needs to be provided to the employee within 5 business days after the request submission date. The following details are pre-populated on the form:
 - Date Issued (today's date)
 - o Employee ID
 - o FMLA Request #
 - o Employee's Full Name
 - Name of Family Member (if applicable)
 - Coordinator's Name
 - o Reason for Leave (and anticipated date of delivery/placement if applicable)
 - Eligibility Checkbox Selections (from the HR Check List)
 - Medical Certification due date

FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA) NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY, RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES					
PART A - NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY					
This form only determines your eligibility for federal (FMLA) / Wisconsin (WFMLA) leave. Employees may be eligible for WFMLA and / or FMLA. Your leave is not yet approved. You will receive a separate notice of leave approval or denial once supporting documentation has been received and determined to be complete and sufficient.					
DATE ISSUED 01/13/2021	EMPLOYEE ID # 1000	FMLA REQUEST # SCHREBMGIF12/16/2020			
TO (name of employee – Last, First, M.I.)	,	·			
NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER (if applicable to leave	request)				
THIS NOTICE IS TO INFORM YOU THAT: 1. You are eligible for WFMLA. 2. You are not eligible for WFMLA because: You have not met the WFMLA 52-week co You have not met the WFMLA requiremen You have no WFMLA leave time available 3. You are eligible for FMLA 4. You are not eligible for FMLA because: You have not met the FMLA 12-month (no	Ith condition. with a serious injury or illness. ment to a foreign country of the employee's spouse, son or dau nescutive length of service requirement. of being paid at least 1,000 hours in the 52-week period precei	eding the leave. g leave. ed leave date.			

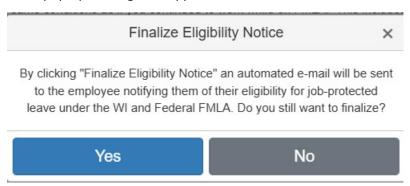
3. The Medical Coordinator should then manually complete any fields needed in Part B and Part C of the notice.



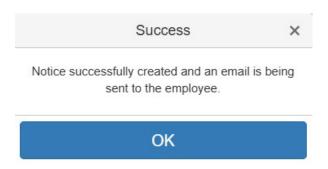
4. Once the form is complete, click the Finalize Eligibility Notice button



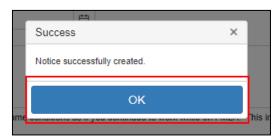
A pop-up message will appear:



 If "Yes" is clicked, another pop-up will appear notifying you that the Eligibility Notice was successfully created and an email is being sent to the employee.



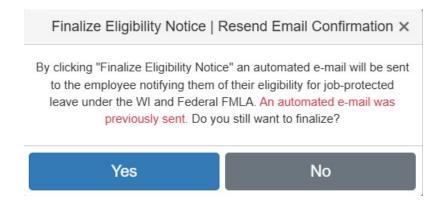
- o If you do not want to finalize, click **Cancel** to go back. Any changes will not be saved.
- 5. The following message will pop-up once the notice is created. Click OK.



The Eligibility Notice will populate in the Documents section and be visible/accessible to the employee.



If you need to create a new notice to update information, you can click the Save and Create Eligibility
 Notice button again to create a new form. If doing so, please note that a pop-up will appear asking for confirmation.



o If an employee submits an "Early Request" (e.g. parental leave more than 60 days from start of leave), they may not be eligible for FMLA/WFMLA initially, but could meet eligibility prior to the start of their leave. Generate the Eligibility Notice indicating they are not eligible and utilize the Early Request email template or other email informing the employee that eligibility will be rechecked closer to their requested leave start date.

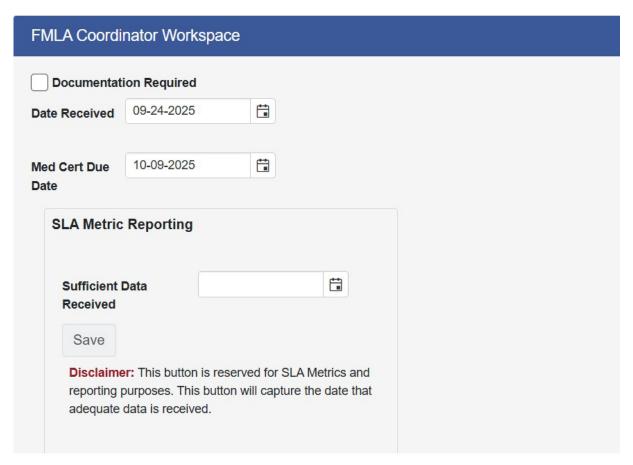
7. If documentation is required and indicated in the Eligibility Notice, manually update the Status of the application to **Awaiting Documentation**. Check "Email Employee", then Update Status if you want the associated system-generated notification to be sent via email.



 If you have received medical, or none is required, go to the FMLA Coordinator Workspace to complete the request and issue the Designation Notice.

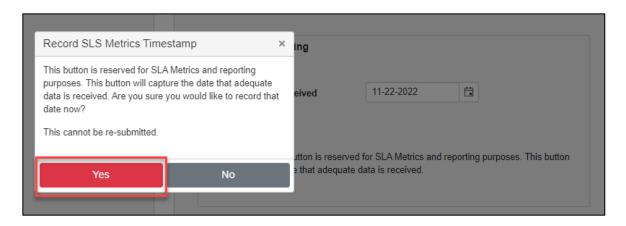
FMLA Coordinator Workspace

1. The FMLA Coordinator Workspace helps Medical Coordinators track the request and document additional items.

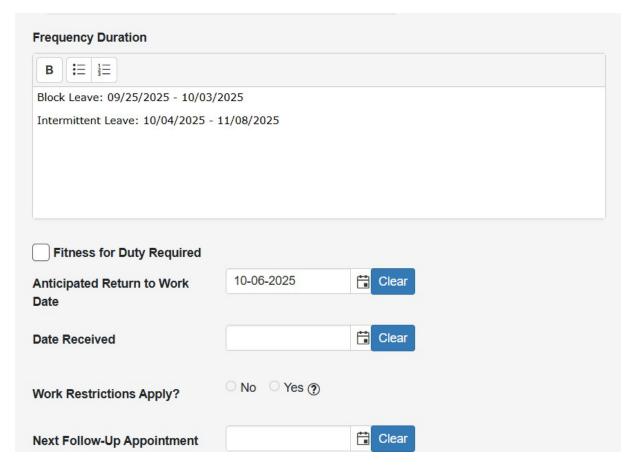


- Documentation Required Originally populated from the Eligibility Notice. You may uncheck this box if nothing further is required. This box can be re-checked if additional information is needed later.
- Date Received Use this to keep track of the date the most recent documentation is received.
- Med Cert Due Date Originally populated from the Eligibility Notice. You may update this field going forward if additional medical is required.
- SLA Metric Reporting Shared services agencies are required to annually report performance as it relates
 to FMLA processing. Formerly referred to as Service Level Agreements, these Memorandums of
 Understanding outline client service responsibilities. Once you have determined that sufficient data
 exists to finalize a request, enter the date in the Sufficient Data Received Field and click Save.

A pop-up box will appear with a warning that this date cannot be re-submitted. Verify the
date entered is correct, then click Yes. Once Yes is clicked, the date will appear in the FMLA
Coordinator Workspace in red and cannot be edited.







- Frequency Duration Used to populate the Designation Notice for intermittent leave and/or a reduced work schedule. You may update this field if additional documentation is received.
- Fitness for Duty Required Check this box for an employee's own serious health condition that requires a continuous/block leave of absence. You may uncheck if nothing further is required or re-check if needed.
- Anticipated Return to Work Date The approximate date that an employee should be returning to work from a continuous/block leave.
- o Date Received Date a Fitness for Duty Certification Return to Work is received.
 - Once a date is entered in the Date Received (Fitness for Duty) field, the Work Restrictions Apply
 section becomes active. If an employee has work restrictions in effect, click Yes. If the employee was
 cleared to return to work without restrictions, click No.
- Next Follow-Up Appointment An employee's next follow-up appointment may be documented here.
 Recommended to use when work restrictions apply to facilitate monitoring and reporting.

Flag for Annual Recertification	1
Agency Designation ?	
Entitlement Added to PeopleSo	oft
Worker's Compensation	
Minnesota Paid Leave ?	
Save	Save and Create Designation Notice

- Flag for Annual Recertification Check if an employee will most likely need to submit a new request and medical documentation in the following year (e.g. chronic conditions, etc.).
- Agency Designation Check if you are issuing a Designation Notice/approving FMLA on behalf of an employee who has not provided medical documentation or initial notification.
- Entitlement Added to PeopleSoft Check once the employee's FMLA entitlement has been added via Absence Management>Assign Entitlements and Takes.
- Worker's Compensation Check if federal FMLA is associated with a Worker's Compensation claim. Any period that an employee is absent from work while on worker's compensation leave or s. 230.36, Wis. Stats., hazardous duty disability paid leave should not be counted as time used under the WFMLA (though it may be counted under the federal FMLA).
- Minnesota Paid Leave Some WI state employees may be eligible for Minnesota Paid Leave (MPL). HR and/or
 agency medical coordinators will be notified of employee MPL requests by an administrator for Minnesota's
 system. If the reason for using leave is eligible under both MPL and FMLA, the leave periods run concurrently and
 the assigned coordinator shall initiate a request within the system, if needed, and check this box for monitoring
 purposes.

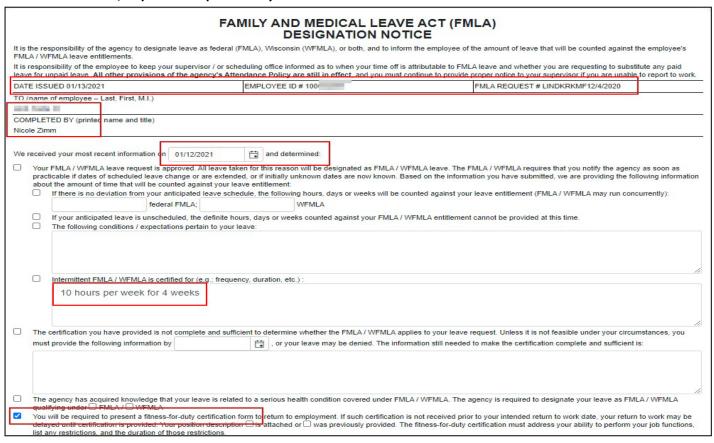
Designation Notice

After you receive sufficient information/documentation, you have 5 business days to issue the Designation Notice. If you were provided medical documentation at the time the request was submitted, or if none was required, you can complete the Designation Notice at the same time as the Eligibility Notice.

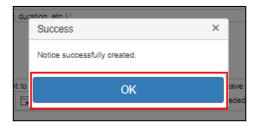
1. Click on **Save and Create Designation Notice** in the FMLA Coordinator Workspace to generate the notice.



- 2. The following details are pre-populated:
 - o Date Issued
 - Employee ID
 - FMLA Request #
 - Employee's Full Name
 - Coordinator's Name
 - Any information entered in the FMLA Coordinator Workspace relative to date documentation received, the need for a fitness-for-duty certification form, and text entered in the Frequency Duration text box. Please note that leave dates do NOT pre-populate in the Designation Notice, so you must manually add them to the Frequency Duration text box and, in the case of a Block/Continuous absence, cut the dates from the Intermittent FMLA/WFMLA section and paste them into the section immediately above, i.e., "The following conditions / expectations pertain to your leave."



- The Medical Coordinator must complete all other applicable fields on the form.
- 4. Once the form is complete, click the **Finalize Designation Notice** button
 - If you do not want to finalize, click Cancel to go back
- 5. The following message will pop-up once the notice is created. Click OK.



6. The Designation Notice will populate in the Documents sections and will be visible/accessible to the employee.

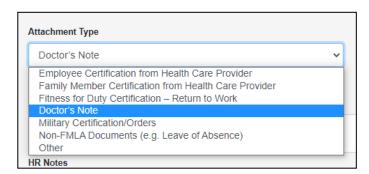


7. If not previously populated, the Frequency Duration and Fitness for Duty Required information will autofill to the FMLA Coordinator Workspace if completed within the Designation Notice.

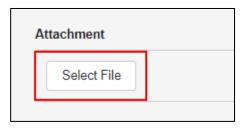
Additional Documentation

Under Additional Documentation, you may upload, edit, and delete files. You may also add and edit HR Notes.

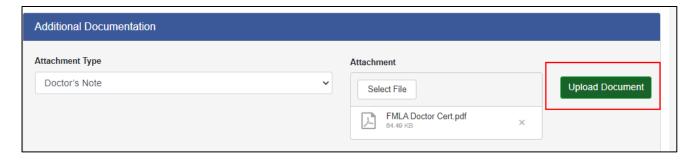
- 1. To add a file
 - Select the Attachment Type from the drop-down menu.



o Click the **Select File** button under Attachment.



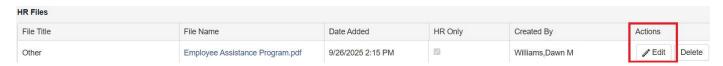
Select your file and click the Upload Document button.



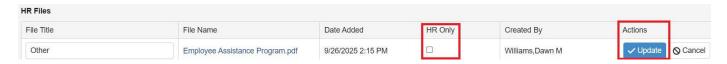
 Any file the Medical Coordinator uploads from the Check List will NOT be visible to the employee unless you edit and uncheck the HR Only checkbox.



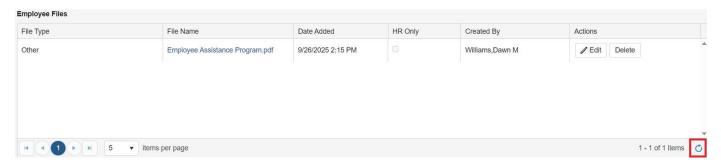
- 2. Managing Employee and HR Files
 - All files listed under Email Notifications and Documents are visible to the employee.
 - o All files listed under HR Files are only visible to Medical Coordinators.
 - o If you want to make a file under HR Files visible to the employee, click the **Edit** button.



• Once you click the **Edit** button, the File Title and the HR Only checkbox are available for editing. Uncheck the HR Only checkbox to allow the employee to see the file. Click **Update** to save.



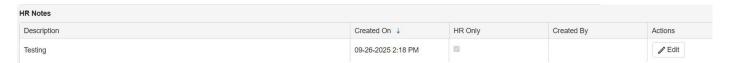
• Click on the **Refresh** icon in the bottom right under both Employee Files and HR Files to see the file move to the Employee Files section.



- 3. To add and manage HR Notes:
 - Type the next of the note in the Add a Note box and click Save Note.



Once the note is saved, it will appear in the HR Notes section of the page.



Another Medical Coordinator CANNOT edit your note; however, you can edit your own note. Click on the
 Edit button to update the note. Once the note is updated, click the Update button to save your changes.

Audit Log

When an update occurs on a request, the values of certain fields are saved to an audit table in the database. On this page you can view each time the request has been updated and by whom.

Click the Audit Log button just above the FMLA Coordinator Workspace to access the log.



2. Click on the **Details** button in any row to see the information in the request at a specific point in time.



3. Click on **Back to Request** to access original request.



Edit a Request

The Edit functionality allows you to both assign the request to a Medical Coordinator and to edit specific fields within the request.

1. Click on the **Edit** button at the top of the employee's request page.



• You may assign the request to another coordinator in your row level security, or you can assign the request to yourself from this dropdown menu.



- You may edit the following fields within the request:
 - Contact information
 - Position assigned to the request (via STAR PeopleSoft data)
 - Reason for Leave
 - Dates of Leave
 - When changes are made to an employee's request, enter a comment that will be displayed to the employee.



o Click Save at the bottom of the page when edits are complete.



o The updates made will now be visible within the employee's request.

Transfer a Request

The Transfer functionality allows active requests to be transferred to different security rows based on an employee's job data without needing to submit a new request.

1. If a newly transferred employee tells you they had an active request with their previous agency, run the Employee Leave Request History Report to find all active requests and the Medical Coordinator contact email.

System Notifications

There are several system-generated notifications available within the FMLA Application.

System/Status Change	How Notification is Sent	Email Content
Draft Automatically sent twice weekly to employees with unsubmitted requests	Automatically sent to employee's work and personal email addresses	Email Subject: FMLA/Medical Leave Request - Not Submitted Body: You have a leave request that has not been submitted and is in "Draft" status. If you are not ready to submit your request yet, no further action is necessary at this time. When you are ready to submit your request, please complete the following steps: • Log into the FMLA & Medical Leave system • Select the request in "Draft" status • Review the information for accuracy. • On the "Review and Submit" screen, scroll to the bottom, enter your electronic signature, and click "Submit Request". Your request can be submitted before you have obtained medical documentation. See the FMLA System Employee Quick Guide for step by step FMLA Application instructions. Contact your medical coordinator for questions. Please do not reply directly to this email.
Under Review Automatically changed when "Accept Request" is clicked	Automatically sent to employee's work and personal email	Email Subject: FMLA & Medical Leave Request Status - Under Review Body: This is an auto-generated communication from Human Resources Dear XXXX, Your leave request has been received and is currently Under Review. You can access your request at https://fmla.wi.gov . Your Medical Coordinator/Human Resources will follow up with you. Please do not reply directly to this email. Thank you, Your Dedicated FMLA Team
Notice of Eligibility	Not a status but automatically sent when an employee is determined to be eligible.	Email Subject: FMLA & Medical Leave Request Status – Eligibility Notice Body: We've received your Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) request and understand that you've requested to be off work 1/25/2026. Please carefully read the FMLA Notice of Eligibility, Rights and Responsibilities form. Your leave is not yet approved. You can find copies of documents associated with your request in your personal FMLA dashboard. Please follow all usual and customary call-in procedures and work with your supervisor to schedule leave, so it does not unduly disrupt the work unit. You may be required by your supervisor or Medical Coordinator/Human Resources to answer job-related questions

about your need for FMLA or non-FMLA related absences as outlined in your agency's leave policy. You are not required to disclose confidential medical information to anyone other than your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources. Your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources will relay nonconfidential information to your supervisor about your leave and your ability to work with or without restrictions. The required medical certification form must be completed by a health care provider. All completed medical certification forms are confidential and should be returned to your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources by uploading to the portal, or via email or fax by the deadline provided on the eligibility notice. It is the employee's responsibility in all cases to ensure that a complete and sufficient certification form is provided in a timely manner. If complete and sufficient documentation is not provided in a timely manner, your FMLA and/or WFMLA may be denied. If denied, FMLA and/or WFMLA job protections will not apply, and you will be subject to your agency's leave and absenteeism policies which may lead to counseling and/or disciplinary action. If you experience difficulties in obtaining the medical certification by the due date despite your diligent, good faith efforts to do so, contact your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources and provide an explanation of your efforts and extenuating circumstances, if applicable.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources. Employee Assistance Program (EAP) The EAP offers access to free and confidential support 24 hours a day, seven days a week to all state employees and their household family members for a variety of issues from everyday matters to more serious concerns including:

- Work-life stresses
- Anxiety, depression, or other mood disorders
- Relationship or other family problems, including divorce and abuse
- Substance abuse
- Parenting/Caregiver support
- Legal and financial guidance

Additional information and instructions on how to arrange confidential assistance can be found on the State EAP Overview internet page. Please do not reply directly to this email.

Thank you, Your Dedicated FMLA Team

Notice of Ineligibility

Not a status, but sent when an employee is determined to be ineligible for federal and state FMLA. **Email Subject:** FMLA & Medical Leave Request Status – Ineligibility Notice

Body: Based on the information currently available, you do not meet the minimum eligibility requirements for job-protected leave under the Wisconsin Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) or the Federal FMLA. Please carefully review this FMLA Notice of

		Ineligibility on your individual dashboard found here: https://fmla.wi.gov. Please contact your supervisor and assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources to discuss other possible leave options. Please do not reply directly to this email. Thank you, Your Dedicated FMLA Team
Awaiting Documentation Manually Changed	Checkbox option to "Email Employee" (work and personal emails)	Email Subject: FMLA & Medical Leave Request Status - Awaiting Documentation Body: This is an auto-generated communication from Human Resources Dear NAME, Your leave requested to begin XXXX requires additional documentation. The Certification of Healthcare Provider for this request is due XXXX. If you have questions on what documentation is required, please review the Eligibility Notice associated with your request or contact your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources. You can access your request at https://fmla.wi.gov . Please do not reply directly to this email. Thank you, Your Dedicated FMLA Team
Approved/Agency Designation Manually Changed	Checkbox option to "Email Employee" (work and personal emails) Cc: Supervisor	Email Subject: FMLA & Medical Leave Request Status – Approved Designation Body: This is an auto-generated communication from Human Resources Dear XXXX, Your leave beginning XXXX has been designated/approved by the agency. Your Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Designation Notice is available for review within your request in the FMLA & Medical Leave System > Medical Leave & FMLA Request > My Requests (Staff FMLA Requests for supervisors). Please read it carefully so that you understand the conditions of your FMLA approval. FMLA Coding in Peoplesoft All absences associated with this approval must be submitted in PeopleSoft, including appointments. Please know that FMLA does not give employees a separate bank of paid leave; employees must enter an accrued paid leave type to receive a paycheck. If accrued paid leave is unavailable, or you elect to use unpaid leave, Leave Without Pay (LWOP) must be utilized. Absences entered must also have a duplicate submission as "Family Leave Act", a two-step process. Paid leave or LWOP must be entered before FMLA coding is performed or you may receive an error message. To help you (and your supervisor) understand more about FMLA coding in PeopleSoft, Human Resources has developed an FMLA - How to Enter FMLA Employees and Supervisors Job Aid. It is important that the steps outlined in this Job Aid are followed to ensure your absences and associated FMLA hours are recorded properly. If you have any questions or concerns about these FMLA notices or the FMLA coding in PeopleSoft after you have reviewed

the Job Aid, please let your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources know.

For Employees on Block/Consecutive Medical Leave for Their Own Serious Health Condition

- Human Resources wants to ensure we have the necessary information to understand any medical restrictions prior to your return to work. You are required to submit a work release from your medical provider at least two (2) business days before you resume any work activities. The work release must be returned to your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources by uploading to the portal, or via email or fax. Acceptable work releases include a Doctor's Note, Clinic Form, or Fitness for Duty Certification, etc. This two-business day window will give your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources time to communicate with your supervisor about any work restrictions and time for your supervisor to try to identify available work that is within these restrictions. Please note that you will be required to wait to receive official approval from HR before you are able to return to work, should you have any restrictions. If you will have no restrictions upon your first return to work date, then this documentation should clearly state this.
- If you are unable to return to work as planned, you must follow your unit's normal call-in procedures and notify your supervisor and the assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources of the continuing absences. Updated medical documentation concerning your leave needs and other accommodations is required.

For Bonding (Birth/Adoption) Leave

- Date of Birth. Update the date of birth and leave dates within the request based on the actual arrival of the child if these vary from your original request submission.
- Intermittent Bonding (Birth/Adoption) Leave. Intermittent bonding leave is permitted under FMLA statutes and policies; however, the schedule shall be coordinated with and approved by your supervisor so as to not unduly disrupt operations. You may be asked to complete an Alternative Work Schedule Agreement.
- Pregnant Workers Fairness Act. The Pregnant Workers Fairness Act (PWFA) requires covered employers to provide "reasonable accommodations" to a worker's known limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions, unless the accommodation will cause the employer an "undue hardship." Please contact your Medical Coordinator/Human Resources for additional information or to request an accommodation.
- PUMP Act. The PUMP for Nursing Mothers Act requires employers to provide reasonable break time for an employee to express breast milk for their nursing child and a place to pump at work, other than a bathroom, that is shielded from view and free from intrusion from coworkers and the public. These accommodations must be provided for one year after the child's birth and be available each time an employee needs it.

Additional Information

• FMLA Protections. Please note that the actual FMLA-protected

leave end date will be based on entitlement usage. If entitlements are exhausted in advance of the leave date specified in the approval, additional leave will have to be reviewed under other agency leave provisions.

- Benefits. Please contact your assigned Payroll Specialist for any benefits-related questions. If you are receiving a full or partial paycheck, your premiums will continue to be deducted from your paycheck. If you will be on unpaid leave, you will need to work with the benefits team to set up insurance prepayments or discuss pay by personal check options. For those on bonding (birth/adoption) leave: You will also need to review ETF's web page, You Have a New Dependent, about any changes that you will need to make to your insurance and the associated deadlines. Applications can be found here. Submit applications to your assigned Payroll Specialist.
- Probationary Period. Your probationary period, if you are serving one, may be impacted (extended) by the amount of leave you have taken/requested. A final decision will be made closer to your probation end date and in consultation with your supervisor and Employment Relations. Chapter 116 of the WI HR handbook provides the authority (top of page 5, section 116.060(3)): "If the employee is granted a leave of absence during a probationary period, the approval to the employee will include a statement advising that the probation may be impacted by duration of the leave and the employee will be provided notice of any such extension upon return."
- Income Continuation Insurance (ICI). Neither HR nor Payroll administer the ICI program. If you carry this optional insurance and intend on filing a claim, you must contact an ICI Customer Service Representative, at 1-800-960-0052, to open a claim, ask questions, receive approval, etc. Please review the ICI publication for additional information.
- Misuse. Employees who fraudulently request FMLA leave are not entitled to any FMLA benefits or employment restoration rights. Misuse or abuse FMLA leave, such as taking leave for reasons that do not qualify under the law, may face disciplinary action, up to and including termination.
- Other Considerations for Extended, Consecutive Absences.
 - Discuss IT access with your supervisor; will it be suspended or remain active during your leave? If it is suspended, you will not be able to access HCM, Outlook, or any other IT systems. Ensure automatic replies (out of office messages) have been scheduled. Again, your medical information is confidential; automatic replies should be generic in nature.
 - If you pay for parking, you may wish to contact your Parking Coordinator to discuss options.

		 Supervisors should delegate expense report approval, timesheet approval, performance evaluations, and staffing activity prior to commencing leave. Be mindful of the Open Enrollment period as you will still need to complete the process. If applicable, consider reconciling all P-card charges and completing any expense reports before beginning your leave. If you have questions or need assistance, please reach out to your designated Medical Coordinator/Human Resources. Thank you, Your Dedicated FMLA Team
Denied Manually Changed	Checkbox option to "Email Employee" (work and personal emails) Cc: Supervisor	Email Subject: FMLA & Medical Leave Request Status - Denied Body: Dear NAME, Your leave request has been denied. The Designation Notice in the Documents section of your request will include an explanation for the denial. Please read it carefully so that you understand the conditions of your FMLA denial. You may also receive further communication from the assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources. You can access your request at https://fmla.wi.gov . Please know that this FMLA denial does not prevent you from applying for FMLA in the future - when you are eligible for FMLA and when you need time off from work for an FMLA qualifying reason. Please do not reply directly to this email. If you have any questions or concerns about this FMLA denial, please let your assigned Medical Coordinator/Human Resources know. Thank you, Your Dedicated FMLA Team
Closed Manually Changed	Checkbox option to "Email Employee" (work and personal emails) Cc: Supervisor	Email Subject: FMLA & Medical Leave Request Status - Closed Body: This is an auto-generated communication from Human Resources Dear XXXX, Your FMLA request has been closed as of XXXX. No further action is required unless you need to make updates to your request. See the Employee Quick Guide for information about how to modify your request. You can access your request at https://fmla.wi.gov . Please do not reply directly to this email. Thank you, Your Dedicated FMLA Team

New Request Initial Submission of Request

System-generated notification automatically sent to Supervisor

• No email if Vacant

Note: There is no notification when an employee initially submits a request – at this time the Medical Coordinator must review the requests in the application to identify new requests.

Email Subject:

[First Name Last Name] Submitted FMLA/Medical Leave Request

Body:

XXXX submitted an FMLA/Medical Leave of Absence Request. Please refer to the "My Staff Requests" page in the FMLA System at https://fmla.wi.gov for further details. Log in using your IAM username and password (this is the same log in and password that you use for the STAR Human Resources System). Please see the FMLA Application's Manager Guide for important information concerning supervisory responsibilities related to FMLA. The Manager Guide is available at:

https://dpm.wi.gov/Documents/JobAids/SelfService/MSS/FMLA Manager QuickGuide.pdf.

Please do not reply directly to this email.

Change Request

Automatically sent when an employee modifies an existing request

Automatically sent to Assigned Medical Coordinator

Email Subject:

FMLA Change Request

Body:

A change request for [Last Name, First Name], [Empl ID], [FMLA Request #], was submitted in the FMLA web application. Please do not reply directly to this email.

Thank you,

Your Dedicated FMLA Team

Withdrawn

Automatically sent when a request is withdrawn

Automatically sent to the assigned Medical Coordinator

Email Subject:

FMLA Withdrawal

Body:

A request for [Last Name, First Name], [Empl ID], [FMLA Request #], was withdrawn in the FMLA web application.

Please do not reply directly to this email.

Thank you,

Your Dedicated FMLA Team

Document Uploaded

Automatically sent when someone other than the assigned medical coordinator uploads a document

Automatically sent to the assigned Medical Coordinator

Note: You must already be logged into the system for the link to work.

Email Subject:

FMLA Document Uploaded

Body:

[Last Name, First Name], [Empl ID], [FMLA Request #], has uploaded a [File Type] in the FMLA web application.

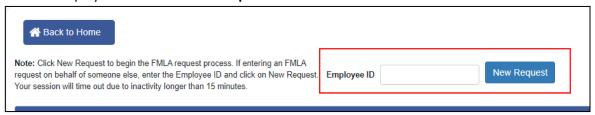
Link to Request: [hyperlink to request]

Create a Request on Behalf of an Employee

1. After logging in, click on Medical Leave & FMLA Request.



2. Enter an Employee ID and click New Request.



- 3. If you do not have the row level security to manage that user, you will see an error message. Otherwise, you will be redirected to the New Request screen with the employee's information already populated. You may proceed with entering request details.
- 4. When the request is complete, select **Review and Submit.** You will be brought to the submission page. Scroll to the bottom to complete the **Submission Acknowledgement.**
 - o Under Name of Person Submitting Request, enter your name followed by "on behalf of employee."
 - O Click the **Submit Request** button
- 5. Once the request is submitted, you will receive a message that the request was submitted successfully at the top of the screen.
 - You can then click on the Accept Request button to assign the request to yourself.



Reports

Medical Leave & FMLA System Reports

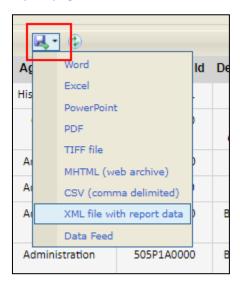
Reports are accessed by clicking on the drop down next to Reports in the upper right of the banner on any page in the application.



Once you click on a report, you can select your criteria at the top of the page and then click the **View Report** button on the far right of the page (you may need to scroll all the way to the right to see the **View Report** button).



You can also download your report into Excel or a variety of other formats by clicking on the download button on the report page.



Review the following reports as needed or on a scheduled basis:

Annual Recertification Report

Run: Annually (mid-November)

Use: Identifies those who may need FMLA in the upcoming year. The "Flag for Annual Recertification" checkbox must be checked within the FMLA Coordinator Workspace of a request to appear on this report. Send reminder email for recertification.

Awaiting Documentation Report

Run: As needed, but at least weekly

Use: This report quickly identifies requests in an Awaiting Documentation status.

Block Leave Report

Run: As needed

Use: Cross reference FMLA entered on an employee's timesheet in STAR HCM. The employee's FMLA leave balance and FMLA hours used to date are included in this report.

Deleted Documentation Report

Run: As needed

Use: This report identifies documents that have been deleted from an employee's request. You can search by Empl ID by unchecking the box next to NULL or you can run the report wide-open so everyone within your security appears on the report.



Employee Leave Request History Report

Run: As needed

Use: Returns all requests for a specific employee, including those outside of the assigned coordinator's row-level security.

Fitness for Duty Report

Run: As needed, but at least weekly

Use: Identifies individuals who may be returning from leave for their own serious health condition that require a Fitness for Duty Certification - Work Release. The "Fitness for Duty Required" checkbox in the FMLA Coordinator Workspace must be checked within the request to appear on this report.

Intermittent Leave Report

Run: As needed

Use: Cross reference FMLA used in STAR HCM with the Frequency Duration associated with a request. The employee's FMLA leave balance and FMLA hours used to date are included in this report.

Leave Requests Per Year Report

Run: As needed

Use: Can be used to count active FMLA cases at a specific point in time and/or count total FMLA cases for a specific year. Does NOT distinguish between FMLA eligible or ineligible.

SLA Metric Report

Run: As needed, but at least annually

Use: Service Level Agreement requirements for Shared Services agencies, now identified within Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs). The required metric is that the time between notification of need for Family and Medical Leave and contact with the employee typically occurs within three business days of notification. Please note that the SLA Metric Report was not modified to report on the new MOU requirement, so the "Met SLA Metric" column is no longer valid. Instead, the "Initial Response Days" column will need to be used to determine if the MOU was met. Also, the SLA Report returns data for all requests entered. Reporting on only FMLA requests will require identification and removal of ineligible requests.

As a reminder, federal law requires:

- <u>Eligibility Notice</u>: Be provided within five business days of the initial request for leave or when the employer acquires knowledge that an employee leave may be for an FMLA-qualifying reason
- <u>Designation Notice</u>: Be provided within five business days once the employer has enough information to determine that the employee's requested leave qualifies as FMLA leave, absent extenuating circumstances (must be written).

Instructions:

 Run report per calendar year: This includes all requests "Created" within the selected calendar year. Export results to Excel for manual review process.

Status/Reason Report



Run: As needed

Use: For internal reporting and/or submission to Payroll. Search by Leave Reason, Application Status, a date range and by Business Unit. Uncheck the boxes next to "Null" in the date search to enter a specific date range.

Upcoming End Date Report

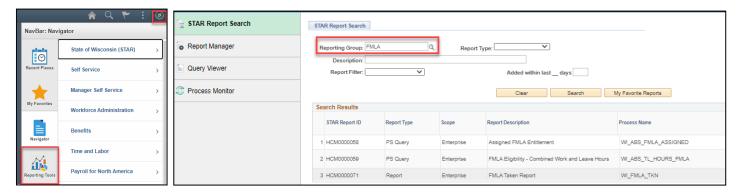
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Run: As needed

Use: Identifies requests with an upcoming end date in the next 7, 14 or 30 days. Requests that do not need to be extended will need to have their statuses updated to "Closed" after the pay period associated with the leave end date has passed.

STAR Human Resources HCM Reports

To access reports and queries within STAR HCM, select the navigator button on the top right corner. Select Reporting Tools.



STAR Report Search will display. Enter FMLA in the Reporting Group. Click Search.

WI_ABS_FMLA_ASSIGNED Query

Run: As needed

Use: Returns employees who were assigned an FMLA entitlement within a specified date range. Can be used to audit active requests with current entitlements.

WI_ABS_TL_HOURS_FMLA Query

Run: As needed

Use: To determine FMLA eligibility. Lists combined absence and time and labor hours for a specific employee for a specific date range.

WI_FMLA_Taken Report

Run: As needed

Use: This can be run for audit purposes, as well as a "big picture" for a specific employee.

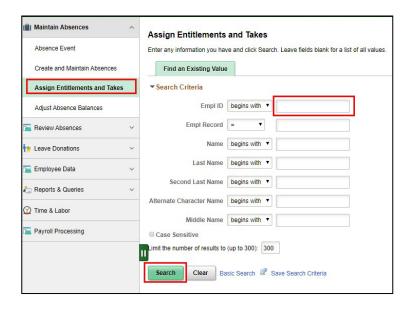
WI_HR_PER_ROSTER_QRY Query

Run: As needed

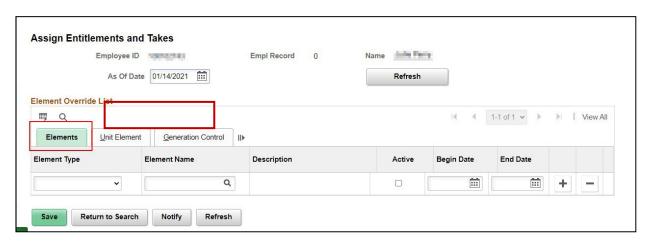
Use: For employees a continuous service date less than one year, run this query to determine if an employee has any other State Service.

Entering FMLA Entitlements and Takes in STAR HCM (PeopleSoft)

1. **Navigation**: Workforce Administrator Homepage – Payroll – Absence Management – Assign Entitlements and Takes under Maintain Absences. Enter the Empl ID and click Search.



2. You will arrive at the following screen:

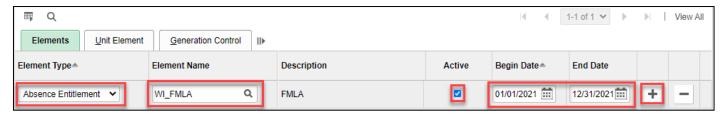


Keep in mind that previously approved FMLA entitlements will display. **DO NOT CHANGE OR DELETE PRIOR YEAR ENTRIES**. Also, if an employee has a previously entered FMLA entitlement for the current year, you may need to Refresh the *As of Date* to 12/31 of the current year for the entitlement to display.

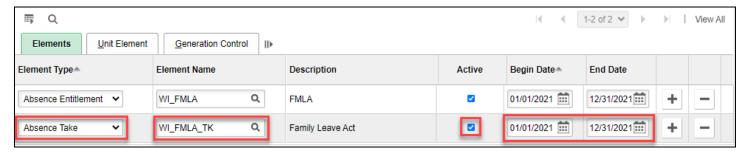
3. On Elements:

- Enter Element Type = Absence Entitlement
- Enter Element Name = WI FMLA
- Make sure the box under Active is checked
- o Enter the Begin Date. This is either 1-1-XXXX of the year, or the 1st day of the pay period the leave starts.
- Enter the End Date. This is either 12-31-XXXX of the year, or the last day of the pay period the leave ends. If the leave crosses years, you must enter a 12-31-XXXX end date and then add a new row for the following year.

Then, add a row by clicking on the "+" button.



- Enter Element Type = Absence Take
- Enter Element Name = WI_FMLA_TK
- Make sure the Active box is checked
- o Enter the Begin and End dates; these dates should match the entitlement.

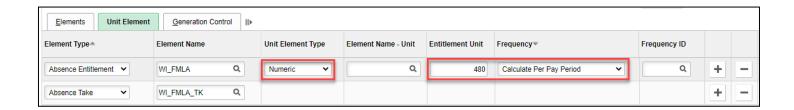


4. On Unit Element:

- Unit Element Type = Numeric
- Element Name Unit = LEAVE BLANK
- Entitlement Unit = Eligible Number of Hours

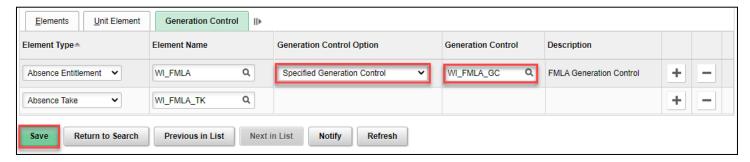
CAUTION: 480 hours is the standard entitlement, but an employee may be entitled to a different amount based upon their FTE, their regular work week, e.g., mandatory overtime, or the interaction between state and federal FMLA.

- o Frequency = Calculate Per Pay Period
- Frequency ID = LEAVE BLANK



5. On Generation Control Tab

- Generation Control Option = Specified Generation Control
- Generation Control = WI_FMLA_GC
- Click Save



6. Once the FMLA entitlement and take is entered in STAR HCM, return to the request's FMLA Coordinator Workspace and check the box next to **Entitlement Added to PeopleSoft**, then click **Save**.



Entitlement Tips & Tricks

- FMLA Entitlement Entry for Employees with Multiple Jobs: If an employee has more than once active position and plans to use FMLA for hours not worked in more than one position, you will need to split the total WI_FMLA entitlement and takes across the active positions. The total number of FMLA hours assigned for all positions shall not exceed the total annual FMLA entitlement. Remember to always attach the leave entitlement to the correct Empl Record.
- o FMLA entitlement dates must match/fall within active Employment Record dates.
- o If there are multiple FMLA requests for the same timeframe, you only need to enter one entitlement and take.
- You can modify dates and entitlement hours at any time.
- Never DELETE previous or current year FMLA entitlements.
- Can't find an entitlement you already entered? Try refreshing the As of Date!



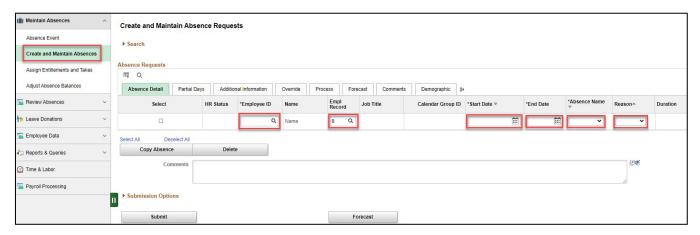
Entering FMLA on Behalf of an Employee in STAR HCM (PeopleSoft)

To access this page, you must have the Agency Absence Specialist user role. If you cannot access this page, you may need to request assistance from Payroll staff.

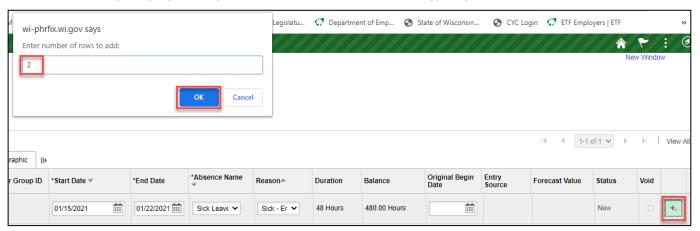
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under Maintain Absences. On the Absence Detail tab:

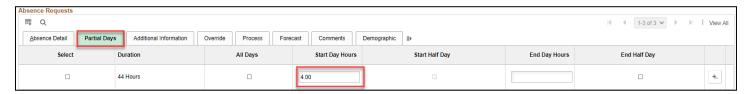
- Enter Employee ID
- o Verify Empl Record System will default to 0.
- o Enter Start Date and End Date You may leave end date blank for one day absences (system auto fills)



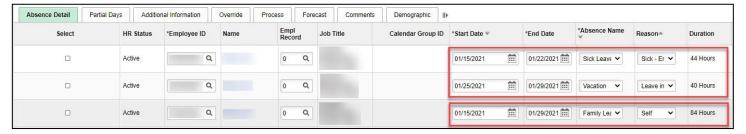
- Enter Absence Name and Reason
- Duration will automatically populate based on the dates entered, and the employee's system work schedule.
- 2. Scroll all the way to the right to find the "+" button to add more rows. You will need at least one additional row for the FMLA entry. Employees may also want to use additional leave types; you can enter them all at the same time.



3. Repeat Step 1 for all leave entries. If Partial Days are required, click on the Partial Days tab to enter details



4. Once all leave entries are complete, make sure the dates and duration of your FMLA entry matches the other leave entries.

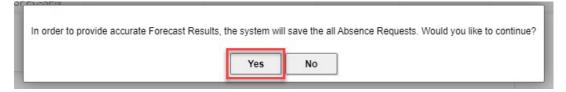


5. Finalize the Leave Entries

Select each line or Select All



o Click Forecast and Submit. You will see the following pop up. Click Yes.



o If successful, you will see this message. Click **OK**.



6. If you run into errors, select the arrow next to Search at the top of the page to verify the leave entries are within the date range. You can also search by Employee ID to see other absences the employee has already entered.



Resources

FMLA Toolkit (DPM website)

HR Handbook Chapter 724 – Family and Medical Leave

Wis Admin Code Ch ER 18.14 - Leave of Absence Without Pay