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Medical Report Carer Payment and Special Disability Trust beneficiary status For a child – under 16 years

Child's details

You will need to complete a separate report for each child – Contact Centrelink if you require additional reports.

Name

Date of birth / /

CRN - - -

Parent/Guardian's details

Primary carer

Your details do not need to be completed if you are only testing eligibility for a Special Disability Trust.

Name

Address

Postcode

Date of birth / /

CRN - - -

Phone number ()

This report must be completed by the child's treating doctor

Instructions for the parent/guardian (carer)

1 Complete your details above.

2 Make an appointment with the doctor or specialist. When you make your appointment, please let the receptionist know that you will need this report completed.

The time taken to complete the medical report may be claimed by the doctor of the child under a Medicare item when included as part of a consultation. If the doctor does not bulk bill, your consultation fee may be more than usual because of the extra time taken to complete the report.

3 Read and sign this Authority to release information.

- I give permission for medical details about the child to be supplied to Centrelink.
- I understand that the report will be used to assist in assessing a claim for Carer Payment for current and future carers, **OR** establishing eligibility for a Special Disability Trust (SDT) and may need to be released to that person(s) by Centrelink.

Parent/guardian's signature

Date

/ /

4 Give this report to the child's treating doctor to complete.

Instructions for the doctor

This report may be used to:

- decide eligibility for Carer Payment
- decide eligibility for Special Disability Trust beneficiary status.

Payment for your report

We have asked the parent/guardian of the child to let you know at the time of making their appointment that they require you to complete this report. This is to ensure that you have sufficient time for the examination.

The time taken to complete the medical report may be claimed under a Medicare item when included as part of a consultation.

Completing this report

In this report you will be asked to provide details of the child's medical condition(s). Please complete all the required questions in this report. If you have any questions about this report, call Centrelink on **13 2717**.

Parents/guardians with more than one child with a disability or medical condition

Parents/guardians may qualify for a single rate of Carer Payment for two children whose combined assessment meets the eligibility requirements for payment. You will have to complete separate reports for each child.

Returning this report to us

You can give this report and any attachments to the parent/guardian or you can return this report directly to Centrelink.

Thank you for your assistance

Please use black or blue pen.

1 Please advise the disability or medical condition(s) of the child:

If a diagnosis has not yet been made, please provide a description of the condition(s).

Primary disability or medical condition

Other disability or medical condition(s)

2 Is the child in the advanced phase of a terminal condition?

Note: *Advanced phase* means:

- the child will require continuous personal care for the remainder of his or her life because of their condition, and
- the child is not expected to live for a period substantially greater than 12 months.

No ► *Go to next question*

Yes ► **Go to 10**

3 Does the child need continuous personal care for 6 months or more because of the disability or medical condition?

Note: *Continuous personal care* may include supervision.

No ► **Go to 10**

Yes ► *Go to next question*

4 Does the child have a severe multiple disability/medical condition?

No ► **Go to 6**

Yes ► *Go to next question*

5 Please tick any of the following conditions which describe the child's disability/medical condition:

the child receives all food and fluids by nasogastric or percutaneous enterogastric tube

the child has a tracheostomy

the child must use a ventilator for at least 8 hours per day

the child:

- is 3 or over and has faecal incontinence day and night; or
- is under 3 and is expected to have faecal incontinence day and night at the age of 3

the child:

- is 2 or over and cannot stand without support; or
- is under 2 and is expected to be unable to stand without support at the age of 2

a medical practitioner has certified that the child has a terminal condition for which palliative care has replaced active treatment

the child:

- is at least 6 months old and requires personal care on 2 or more occasions between 10 pm and 6 am each day; or
- is under 6 months but is expected to require personal care on 2 or more occasions between 10 pm and 6 am each day at the age of 6 months.

6 Is the child aged over six years and under sixteen years?

No **Go to 10**

Yes *Go to next question*

7 Does the child have a severe intellectual, psychiatric or behavioural disability/medical condition?

No **Go to 10**

Yes *Go to next question*

8 Please tick any of the following behaviours which describe the child's disability/medical condition:

the child repeatedly engages in dangerous behaviour that is, or gives rise to, a significant immediate or long term risk to the child's health or safety that without carer intervention, would result in the child suffering sustained tissue or bodily damage or death

the child repeatedly engages in aggressive or violent behaviour that is, or gives rise to, a significant risk to the health or safety of others, or that results in significant property damage as a result of which the child is regularly or permanently excluded from community programs, activities, services or facilities

the child repeatedly engages in severe sexually deviant or sexually inappropriate behaviour, as a result of which the child is regularly or permanently excluded from community programs, activities, services or facilities.

9 Does the child require a level of continuous personal care that would severely restrict the carer's capacity to undertake paid employment, because of the disability or medical condition?

No

Yes

10 Release of medical information about the child requiring care

The *Freedom of Information Act 1982* allows for the disclosure of medical or psychiatric information about the child requiring care in certain circumstances. If there is any information about the child in your report which, if released, may harm their physical or mental well-being, please identify it and briefly state below why it should not be released. Similarly, please specify any other special circumstances which should be taken into account when deciding on the release of your report.

Is there any information in this report which, if released, might be prejudicial to the child's physical or mental well-being?

No *Go to next question*

Yes Identify the information and state why it should not be released.

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Please return this report directly to Centrelink.

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Confidentiality of information The personal information that is provided to you for the purpose of this report must be kept confidential under section 202 of the *Social Security (Administration) Act 1999*. It cannot be disclosed to anyone else unless authorised by law. There are penalties for offences against section 202 of the *Social Security (Administration) Act 1999*.

12 Details of treating doctor completing this report

Please print in BLOCK LETTERS or use stamp.

Name

Professional qualifications

Address

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	Postcode

Phone number

Signature



Date

Stamp (if applicable)

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