

Certificate of Medical Examination
(First Certificated Employment in the California Educational System)

Summary of Legal Provisions
(Education Code Section 44839)

A medical certificate, in a form prescribed by the State Board of Education, showing that a person employed for the first time in a California School District or County Superintendent of Schools Office in a position requiring certification qualifications, is free from any disabling disease unfitting the applicant to instruct or associate with children.

The Education Code also provides that:

- The medical certificate shall be submitted directly to the governing Board or County Superintendent by a physician and/or surgeon licensed under the Business and Professions Code.
- The medical examination shall have been conducted not more than six months before the submission of the certificate.
- The pre-employment medical examination shall be at the expense of the applicant.
- The medical certification shall become part of the personnel record of the employee and shall be open to the employee or his/her designee.