

Information on Attendance / Sick Leave Certificate for Antenatal and Postnatal clients

Under the Employment Ordinance (Chapter 57 Section 33), if a female employee is required to attend medical examination in relation to her pregnancy or post confinement medical treatment, any day on which she is absent from work for such examination or treatment shall be a sickness day.

You may apply for **either a certificate of attendance or a sick leave certificate (but not both)** during your antenatal checkup or post confinement treatment visit. Some employers accept certificate of attendance whereas others only accept sick leave certificate. Therefore, you need to discuss with your employer about their policy beforehand.

Remarks

1. **Sick leave certificate is not issued for routine postnatal checkup**, only certificate of attendance will be issued.
2. There is **an administrative fee of HK\$160 for requesting certificate of attendance and sick leave certificate subsequently on days other than on the day you receive service** in the Maternal and Child Health Centres of Department of Health.

Please contact staff of the Maternal and Child Health Centre for any further enquiry.

