

The New Jersey **Family Leave Act**

The New Jersey Family Leave Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11 B-1, et seq.) requires that most employees who have worked at least 1,000 hours during the previous 12 months for an employer which employs 50 or more employees are eligible to receive an unpaid leave of absence for a period not to exceed 12 weeks in a 24 month period.

Leave under the NJ Family Leave Act may be taken in connection with the birth or adoption of a child, or for the care of a family member (child, parent, spouse or one partner in a civil union couple) with a serious health condition. Leave may not be taken under this act for the employee's own health condition.

Family leave granted under the Family Leave Act is in addition to, and separate from, any rights granted under the state "Temporary Disability Benefits Law." Employees may also be eligible for additional leave under the federal Family and Medical Leave Act.

Employees eligible to take leave under the NJ Family Leave Act must provide prior notice to the employer. The employer has the right to request that an employee provide a certification issued by a health care provider in order to ensure that the employee meets the eligibility requirements.

It is also unlawful to publish employment advertisements which discriminate against persons in violation of the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq.

Violations should be reported to the nearest office of the NJ Division on Civil Rights at **866-405-3050** (Toll-Free) or online **www.NJCivilRights.gov**

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The regulations of the New Jersey Division on Civil Rights require that all employers, employment agencies and labor organizations who are covered by the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination shall display this official poster in places easily visible to all employees and applicants. N.J.A.C. 13:8-1.2.

