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Disability Retirement Survey									
System	Documents Required	Physician's Report	Requires a Statement of Permanent Incapacity or Impairment	Timely and Complete	Medical Records	Independent Medical Examiner	Medical Advisor	Initial Hearing	Appeals Process
San Bernardino CERA	Applicant's Statement of Facts, Physician's Report, Authorization, Supplemental Forms	Yes	Yes	Yes	System orders medical records.	Yes	Yes	Board	Yes
Alameda CERA	Applicant's Statement of Facts, Physician's Report, Authorization, Supplemental Forms	Yes	Yes	Yes, requires a Delayed Disability Application Affidavit. Reject if untimely or incomplete.	No information.	Yes, as deemed necessary or if employer requests an IME	Yes, expedited review process, and Board report.	Employer or member must request a hearing, if no hearing is requested, then the matter will be placed on the Board's agenda.	Yes
Fresno CERA	Application, Physician's Report, medical release.	Yes	Yes, will not be accepted if the physician does not state member is permanently incapacitated	Yes, requires a Delayed Disability Application Affidavit. Reject if untimely or incomplete.	No information.	Yes, if deemed necessary.		Yes	Yes
Imperial CERS	Application, Physician's Report, medical records	Yes, also requires one medical report for each claimed injury.	Yes	Yes, only complete application will be accepted,	No information.	Yes		Yes, Board approves or sends to hearing	Yes
Kern CERA	Application, Physician's Report, medical release	Yes	Yes	Yes	System orders records.	Yes	Yes	Board	Yes
Los Angeles CERA	Application, Physician's Report, Medical Release	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Board	Yes
Marin CERA	Application, Physician's Report, Medical Release	Yes	Yes	Yes, incomplete if rejected	Member provides medical records, and system order medical records	Yes		Board	Yes
Mendocino CERA	Application, Physician's Report	Yes	Yes	Yes, processing will not commence until the Application is timely and complete	Yes	Yes		Board	Yes
Merced CERA	Application, Physician's Report, Medical authorization	Yes	Yes	Yes	Member provides medical records			Board	Yes
Orange CERS	Application, Physician's Report, Medical authorization	Yes	Yes	Yes	No information.	Yes		Disability Committee	Referred to appeal by disability committee
Sacramento CERS	Application, Physician's Report, Medical authorization	Yes	Yes	Yes	No information.				
San Diego CERA	Questionnaire, Physician's Report, Authorization	Yes	Yes	Yes	No information.	Yes		Board's consent agenda if granted, referred to a hearing if denied	Yes

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San Jacinto CERA	Application, Physician's Report, medical release	Yes	Yes	Yes	Member provides medical records	yes		Board	Yes
Sam CERA	Application, Physician's Report, medical records	Yes	Yes	Yes	No information.	yes		Board	Yes
Santa Barbara CERS	Application, Physician's Report, Authorization	Yes	Yes	Yes	No information.	Yes		Board	Yes
Sonoma CERA	Application, Physician's Report, Medical authorization	Yes	Yes	Yes	Member provides medical records				
Stan CERA	Application, Physician's Report, medical authorization	Yes	Yes	Yes , incomplete application will be rejected	No information.	Yes, as deemed necessary	Staff	Board	Yes
Tulare CERA	Application, Physician's Report, medical release	Yes	Yes	Yes	No information.				
Ventura CERA	Application, Physician's Report, medical authorization	Yes	Yes	Yes	No information.	Yes		Board	Yes
CalPERS	Application, Physician's Report, Authorization, Job duty statement	Yes	Yes		Member provides medical records - must be from a physician specializing in the disabling condition	Yes, if additional information is needed.		CalPERS or CalHR Organization reviews and approves	Yes, appealed directly with the Employee
CalSTRS	Application, Physician's Report, Authorization, Job duty statement	Yes	Yes, documentation to substantiate impairment		Member provides medical records - must be from a physician specializing in the disabling condition			CalSTRS reviews, approves, or denies	Yes, appealed directly with the Employee
LA City Retirement (LACERS)	Application - must have 5 years or more of continuous service		Yes	Yes, one year from the last date paid	No information	Yes		Board	