

Medical reports needed to claim Disability Support Pension

Welfare Rights Centre is a community legal centre that helps people who have a problem with Centrelink payments.

We have developed a range of resources to assist people to access Disability Support Pension, including Medical Report Templates for doctors that frame medical information so it is a 'neat fit' for Centrelink assessment. We have tried to make the form as short and simple as possible.

You may be aware that Centrelink uses a set of Impairment Tables to assess functional impairment. Under this system, an applicant needs to score 20 points or more to be eligible for Disability Support Pension. People can be awarded points from more than one table.

We encourage people to take a copy of relevant Impairment Tables and our associated Medical Report Templates to their doctor to streamline the Disability Support Pension Claim process. Alternatively, you can access these documents electronically at www.welfarightscentre.org.au.

If unable to complete the template report, we encourage doctors to write a letter, including reference to their patient's symptoms as outlined in the relevant Impairment Tables.

Should you have questions about the Impairment Tables and our Medical Report Templates, please contact Welfare Rights Centre at contact@welfarights.org.au
