



PSS PIP review – report checklist for medical officers

Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation (CSC) relies on written evidence to determine if an individual's partial invalidity pension (PIP) should continue or be varied.

A PIP is a payment made to an eligible member of the Public Sector Superannuation (PSS) scheme who has incurred a permanent decrease in salary attributable to non-compensable physical or mental incapacity. A loss of recognised allowances for medical reasons may also attract a PIP.

CSC has already determined that the individual you are examining is eligible to receive a PIP. Your examination of this individual will assist CSC to determine if the individual's working arrangements remain appropriate in light of their medical condition or whether a change is required.

Please provide a written report to the individual's employer which addresses the following questions.

What is the history of the condition(s)?

- What is the medical history as recorded in medical notes?
- What changes have occurred since the last review or consultation?

What are the current symptoms/signs?

- What has been described by the individual?
- What has been observed by you at presentation?

Has the original diagnosis changed?

- What is the current severity of the condition?
- What is the current prognosis?
- What is the normal course of the condition(s)?
- What is the expected outcome for the individual?

What treatments are currently being undertaken by the individual?

- What medications, physical therapy or psychotherapy is the individual currently prescribed and/or undertaking?
- Do you think the current treatment plan is effective?
- Please comment on the results of any tests conducted.
- Are there any additional treatments you would recommend?
- What is your opinion on the likely results of those treatments?



What are the ongoing effects of the condition(s) on the individual's ability to work?

- Are the individual's existing modified duties or reduced working hours still suitable for the individual to appropriately manage their medical condition?
- If not, could the individual continue working if additional modifications were made to their working hours or duties? Please recommend suitable duties or working hours and the spread of those hours over a working fortnight.
- If changes are recommended, is the individual's medical condition the only reason that their working conditions need modification? Please provide reasons.
- To what degree do any other factors impact on their work capacity (%)?
- When do you recommend the individual have their next medical review?

Further information

If you require any further information please contact CSC at the details provided below.









