

10 Ways Employers Can Curb Intermittent FMLA Leave Abuse

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In the article, "10 Ways Employers Can Curb Intermittent FMLA Leave Abuse," Attorney Melissa Dials offers up a number of tools that employers can utilize to curb Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave abuse within the workplace:

- 1. Certify and recertify.
- 2. Ask for a second opinion.
- 3. Establish and enforce call-in procedures for all absences.
- 4. Require use of paid leave.
- 5. Count all absences related to the condition.
- 6. Require employees to schedule medical appointments around work schedule.
- 7. Consider temporarily transferring employees who take foreseeable intermittent leave.
- 8. Establish a policy prohibiting employees from working a second job while on leave.
- 9. Follow up on suspicious circumstances.
- 10. Train front-line supervisors.

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