

SAMPLE LETTER TO PRESENT TO YOUR DOCTOR/ SOCIAL WORKER/COUNSELLOR

[Date]

Dear Dr [Name]

LETTER OF SUPPORT

I am appealing against Centrelink's decision that I cannot receive a Centrelink payment because of compensation I received in the past.

To receive a Centrelink payment I need to show that my case is special. Could you please write a short letter of support for me that explains:

- How long I have been your patient;
- My physical and/or mental health problems and any treatments I am receiving;
- Whether you think my current situation is affecting me, including affecting my health problems and their treatment.

Please address the letter 'To Whom It May Concern' as I will likely be forwarding this letter to Centrelink and/or the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

I am precluded from any Centrelink income. The compensation funds I have received are very limited or exhausted. I am living on the generosity of family and friends (see next) and/or charities. Please bulk bill this consultation and any other work done on my behalf.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

[Name]

[Address]