

# Physician's Certificate of Total Disability

I, \_\_\_\_\_, M.D., am a physician practicing in the medical specialty of \_\_\_\_\_. I have examined (patient's name) \_\_\_\_\_; and do hereby certify that he/she suffers from the below-described "permanent total disability which totally incapacitates such person from working at an occupation which brings him/her an income" as defined in T.C.A., section 49-3251 (below):

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\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Physician Signature

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED, SECTION 49-3251**

Subsection (a)

Auditing of courses

Disabled persons and elderly persons auditing courses at state colleges or universities.

(a) Disabled persons suffering from a permanent total disability which totally incapacitates such person from working at an occupation which brings him an income, and persons sixty (60) years of age or older, who are domiciled in Tennessee, may audit courses at any state supported college or university without paying tuition charges, maintenance fees, student activity fees, or registration fees; however this privilege may be limited or denied by the college or university on an individual classroom basis according to space availability. Provided further, that the provisions of this section shall not apply at medical schools, dental or pharmacy schools and no institution of higher education shall be required to make physical alterations of its buildings or other facilities to comply with this section. Prior to admittance, the university or college involved may required an affidavit or certificate from a physician or an agency charged with compensating the disabled person or adjudicating the permanent total disability of the person who is requesting admittance to

classes, that such person is permanently totally disabled as set forth herein.

Subsection (b)

Taking courses for credit

(b) Subject to the same terms and conditions as provided in subsection (a), disabled and persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, who are domiciled in Tennessee as defined in subsection (a), may be enrolled in courses for credit at state supported colleges and universities without payment of tuition charges, maintenance fees, student activity fees or registration fees, except that the Board of Trustees of The University of Tennessee and the Board of Regents of the state university and community college system may provide for a service fee which may be charged by the institutions under their respective jurisdictions, the fee to be for the purpose of helping to defray the cost of keeping the records of such students and not to exceed forty-five dollars (\$45) a quarter or seventy dollars (\$70) a semester.