

Work/School Excuse Letter



Patients and/or the individuals who bring them to appointments sometimes need a letter from the clinic that excuses the patient from work or school. Although there are numerous clinic specific letter and smart phrase templates in Epic, there may be instances when you need to write a letter that does not identify the clinic. (The generic paper form #100861 should only be used during an Epic downtime.)

Generic Work/School Excuse Letter

To create a Work/School Excuse Letter that does not identify the clinic, follow these steps:

1. Open the Letters-Print/IB activity.
2. In the Match field, enter either **BLANK ADULT NO ID LETTER** or **BLANK PED NO ID LETTER**.
3. Choose the letter template you want to use.
4. Click the **New** button.

The screenshot shows the Epic EHR interface for patient Mason, Ernie. The 'Letters' section is active, displaying a toolbar with a 'New' button circled in red and labeled with a '4'. Below the toolbar, the 'Letter Templates' section is visible, showing a search match for 'blank adult no id letter' with a '2' in a red circle. The first template, 'BLANK ADULT NO ID LETTER', is highlighted in blue with a '3' in a red circle. The 'Match' field contains the text 'blank adult no id letter'. The 'ID' field contains '2101601148' and the 'Template' field contains 'BLANK ADULT NO ID LETTER'.

5. In the Reason for letter field, type “Work/School Excuse”.
6. Add the SmartPhrase .EXCUSEWORKSCHOOL to the body of the letter and complete the SmartLists.

The name of the person who created the letter will appear as the author of the letter. Excuse letters should be signed by a physician, a licensed independent practitioner or an authorized office staff member.

7. Click the **Print, Mark as Sent and Accept** button to print a copy for the patient or caregiver.

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Mason, Ernie MRN: 201390 Allergies: No Known Allergies Health Maintenance: FYI LT Isolation: None
 Male, 43 y.o., 03/12/1970 Acc # None Pref Language: No... MyChart: Code Exp Attend Prov: None
 PCP: None Research: None

New letter for the encounter of 08/02/2013

From: MASON, WALTER Reason for letter: Work/School Excuse **5**

Template: BLANK ADULT NO ID LETTER Letter comments:

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA HEALTH SYSTEM

RETURN TO WORK, SCHOOL, OR NORMAL DUTIES

To Whom It May Concern:

Ernie Mason received care on 8/2/2013.

Check as appropriate:

Patient attended the visit [Visit: attended: UVA:2104033331].

Patient may return [Restrictions: work: UVA:2104033333].

It is medically necessary for the patient to be excused from work/school for [NUMBERS 1-31:20828] [d/wk/mo:23262].

Details/Special Instructions:

Walt Whitecoat, MD

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Routing

Recipient	Modifier

Add PCP Add My List

Build My Lists Clear All

Route to sender

Routing comments

Print, Mark as Sent and Accept **7**

Mark as Sent and Accept

Save Now Save and Print

Accept Cancel

Encounter Info

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