

Appeals

1. Any applicant whose application is denied in whole or in part may appeal the determination by filing a verified petition responding to the Board's stated reason(s) for denial as outlined in the determination letter and attached Synopsis. The format requirements are that the petition must:
 - a) be typewritten,
 - b) attest to the truth and accuracy of the statements made therein,
 - c) be made under penalty of perjury,
 - d) contain the applicant's original signature, and
 - e) be notarized.
2. The petition is the applicant's opportunity to address the deficiencies that the Board or its expert consultant has noted and/or to provide any explanation, information, or documentation that may aid the Board in its review on appeal. The petition should clarify facts and identify documentation, if any, that the Board or its expert consultant have overlooked or misapprehended.
3. The petition may also include additional documentation, including documentation from health care professionals, to clarify facts or identify documentation, if any, that the Board or its expert consultant have overlooked or misapprehended.
4. The original appeal petition (and any accompanying documents) must be **MAILED** and received in the Board's office by the deadline outlined in your determination letter. Only the applicant's petition itself must have an original notarized signature. Supporting documents may be photocopies.
5. The appeal may not present any new diagnosis or disability that was not identified in your application.
6. **Please be aware that the Board does NOT issue a written explanation or include a Synopsis when rendering its decisions following a timely appeal.** Applicants are simply advised whether the appeal is denied or granted. If granted, the appeal decision will include the award and schedule. The Board's rules do not provide for additional review following the denial of an appeal.