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Improving the Performance Evaluation Process

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"You're out here because you're supposed to receive a performance review? I'm out here because I'm supposed to give one!"

DOC

DWD

DOT

Performance Evaluation Process Comparison By Department

DATCP



Comparison of Performance Evaluations

	<u>DATCP</u>	<u>DNR</u>	<u>DOC</u>	<u>DOT</u>	<u>DWD</u>	
Name	Performance Review	Performance Goals & Job Objectives	Performance Planning & Development	Performance, Evaluation, Planning & Employee Development (PEPED)	Goals & Accomplishments Review (GAR)	
<u>Topics</u>						
Job duties	✓	✓	✓			
Performance goals	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
PD relevance	✓		✓		✓	
Training opportunities	✓		✓	✓	✓	
AA/EEO standards	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Ratings	✓	✓	✓	✓		

Comparison of Resources Provided for the Annual Performance Evaluation

	<u>DATCP</u>	<u>DNR</u>		<u>DOC</u>			<u>DOT</u>		<u>DWD</u>	
•	Evaluation	•	Employee guide	•	Supervisor	•	Self-evaluation	•	GAR Policy	
	instructions	•	Self-assessment		training		worksheet	•	Supervisor	
•	Supervisor tips		form			•	Supervisor		training	
•	Employee	•	Linking performance				training			
	guide		to organizational							
•	Pre-evaluation		goals/mission guide							
	questions	•	Process flow diagram							
•	Supervisor	•	Supervisor training							
	training									

EMDA Class Performance Evaluation Survey

Data Collection

- Eight question survey to the EMDA group
- ▶ 14 Departments were represented
- ▶ 78% of the group responded

Survey Results

- ▶ 56% received *no* training on the performance evaluation process
- ▶ 40% had not been asked to give their input for their performance evaluation
- ▶ 64% felt they were not personally invested in meeting their set goals and expectations
- Many thought further effort from the evaluator would make the process more meaningful

Research: The Effectiveness of the Traditional Annual Performance Evaluation

The Traditional Annual Evaluation

- An individual's performance is evaluated and rated by someone else
- Scheduled annually
- Same system for all employees
- Mandatory, sometimes tied to a reward system
- ▶ Kept in the employee's file

Research Shows

- At least 30% of the performance reviews studied ended up in decreased employee performance.
- Performance rankings can lead to destructive internal competition.
- ▶ Employees who have a desire to learn and grow are significantly bothered by negative feedback of previous performance.

Focus on collaboration, professional development, coaching and empowering workers to do great in their job.

Fostering a Performance Coaching Relationship

Tips for Supervisors

- Encourage participation in training, special projects, etc.
- Modify goals and objectives as necessary
- Frequent check-ins
- Recognize positive behaviors and outcomes as they occur
- Provide assistance as needed

Tips for Employees

- Ask for help
- Participate in training and special projects
- Inform supervisor if professional goals change
- Be an active participant during check-ins

Tips for Supervisors and Employees

- Discuss significant accomplishments
- Periodically review position descriptions, goals and objectives

ENHANCING THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

BEFORE THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Supervisor & Employee

- Complete an assessment form
- Review or modify the documented goals for the next year
- Prepare a list of potential work-related activities for the employee to engage in

BEFORE THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Supervisor

- Prepare list of topics for discussion:
 - Department goals
 - Employee goals & expectations
 - New policies or procedures
 - Job duty changes

DURING THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Supervisor & Employee

- Discuss the employee's self-assessment and the supervisor's assessment of the employee
- Discuss potential solutions/changes
- Discuss employee's personal satisfaction
- Discuss goals
- Discuss a need/request for resources
- Discuss ideas for improvement in the agency

DURING THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

<u>Supervisor</u>

- Assess his own supervision of the employee
- Create a safe and inviting environment for the employee
- Create a dynamic partnership by coaching

DURING THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Employee

- Be his own advocate
- Ask for feedback
- Reflect on his own performance

AFTER THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Supervisor & Employee

Follow up on any issues raised during the review

AFTER THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Supervisor

- ▶ Finalize the performance evaluation form
- Prepare an improvement plan
- Provide any requested resources to the employee

Supervisors should not focus solely on the annual performance review, rather effectively practice "performance management."

THANK YOU

Questions?

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