

Health Workforce Initiative

Assessment Tool for Hi-Touch Health Care: The Critical Six Soft Skills

(Supervisor to utilize this Assessment Tool to assess employee's soft skills)

Department Name: _____ Date of Assessment: _____

Communication Competency related	Below	Emerging	Meets	Exceeds
to Job Performance	Expectations	Expectations	Expectations	Expectations
One-on-one communicative interchanges				
and use of spoken words and related				
nonverbal actions				
Disseminates information about desired				
outcomes and takes joint responsibility				
for the group's performance through the				
use of supportive communication				
patterns.				
Effective listener – practices "active				
listening"				
Effective nonverbal communication is				
utilized in all communication				
interchanges				
Effectively utilizes information				
technology (telecare, email, text				
messages, social media)				
Writing skills, including emails, present				
logical thought in a clear and concise				
manner.				
Has developed appropriate social and				
professional networks				
Emotional intelligence – has the ability to				
understand their own feelings and the				
feelings of others and to appropriately				
manage reactions and engagement.				

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Workplace Ethics and	Below Expectations	Emerging Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
Professionalism Competency related	Expectations	Expectations	Expectations	Expectations
to Job Performance				
Has pride in the standards of attendance,				
appearance, aesthetics, and				
accountability				
Maintains a consistent application of				
ethical principles				
Flexibility and adaptability are practiced				
during all change processes				
Consistently performs work with high				
level of professional integrity				
Appropriately utilizes social media to				
enhance healthcare communication				
Values the importance of being				
a life-long learner				
Consistently exhibits social graces when				
dealing with patients, patient families,				
coworkers and other healthcare				
professionals				
Team Building & Collaboration	Below	Emerging	Meets	Exceeds
Competency related to Job	Expectations	Expectations	Expectations	Expectations
Performance				
Demonstrates effective leadership skills				
Exhibits a positive attitude and passion				
for the job				
Interprofessional collaboration is				
practiced by the team members				
There is strong evidence of workplace				
pride and self confidence				
Effective Problem-Solving	Below	Emerging	Meets	Exceeds
Competency related to Job	Expectations	Expectations	Expectations	Expectations
Performance				
Effectively gives and receives feedback				
Effectively manages stress and practices				
self-care				
Workplace conflict is appropriately				
managed and resolved				
Time management skills are utilized to				
mitigate the factors of stress associated				
with job burnout				
Critical thinking skills are utilized to				
ensure sound judgement in decision				
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Embracing Diversity Competency related to Job Performance	Below Expectations	Emerging Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
Cultural professionalism and competency is evident in all aspects of the workplace				
Tolerance is practiced with patients, patient families, coworkers and other healthcare professionals				
An environment of respect, collaboration and trust exists in the workplace				
Diversity awareness is practiced in the workplace				
Demonstrating Compassion Competency related to Job Performance	Below Expectations	Emerging Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
Empathetic and caring behavior is evident in the workplace				
Self-reflection is used to focus on learning, developing strategies for sustainable change and improving				
practices Collaborative conversations occur to strengthen individual's motivation for commitment to change				