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SIX STEPS for EMPLOYEE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION v.8.3.18

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DISABILITY per ADA

- · Was a request for accommodations submitted?
- · Is there sufficient medical documentation?
- · Is there a need to submit a list of specific questions regarding the nature, severity and duration to a medical professional?
- · Is the impairment permanent or of a long term nature?
- · Is there a limitation to a major life function?
- · What is the employee's functional limitation?

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DISECT JOB FUNCTIONS

- · What are the essential and marginal functions of the job?
- · What are the physical requirements?
- · What job tasks are problematic as a result of the limitation(s)?
- · What accessibility issues are problematic?

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INTERACTIVE PROCESS - DIALOGUE

- · What are limitations listed by physician on ADA medical form?
- · What are the requested accommodations by the employee?
- · What are the suggested accommodations by the supervisor?
- · What are the suggested accommodations by the ADA Professional at DE&C?
- · Brainstorm possible solutions
- · Generate options

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DETERMINE ACCOMMODATION: ADA Professional

- · Risk / threat threshold assessment
- · Analyze options
- · Choose the most effective accommodations

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DOCUMENT THE DECISION / FILE MANAGEMENT

- · Proposed 'Letter of Decision' is drafted and discussed with UAF HR. Any cross-over with FMLA?
- · Medical information is confidential and stored separately from any other personnel files.
- · Ensure all worksheets, meeting notes and timeline are in the file.

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IMPLEMENTION AND FOLLOW-UP

- · ADA Professional delivers the accommodation decision
- · ADA Professional monitors to ensure accommodation is effective.

NOTE:

- ADA Requests are handled by UAF Department of Equity and Compliance for employees and visitors. Departments should not be providing accommodations that qualify under ADA.
- UAF Disability Services works with students: https://uaf.edu/disabilityservices/