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## **Employee Notification Packet Drug-Free Workplace Awareness Program**

Pursuant to the enacted Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, any organization which is desirous of contracting with any Federal agency must take the following steps to ensure the existence of a drug-free environment for its employees:

- 1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specify the actions which will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
- 2. Establish a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
  - a. the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace
  - b. the organization's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace
  - c. any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs
  - d. the penalties which may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations
- 3. Require that each employee who will be engaged in the performance of such contract be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1. And that, as a condition of employment on such contract, the employee agrees to abide by the terms of the statement and notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction.
- 4. Notify the contracting agency within ten days after receiving notice under paragraph 3, from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction.
- 5. Within 30 days after receiving notice, impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program by any employee who is convicted, as required by the statute.
- 6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

In response to the federal statute, the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education has approved a policy statement requiring all employees at state system community Colleges and on the System central staff, whether exempt or classified, to comply with the requirements of the statute.

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Accordingly, please find attached to this memo a copy of the institutional Drug-Free Awareness Program which should be retained for reference. The Program includes the following:

- Drug-Free Workplace Program Statement. Note that a comprehensive list of "controlled substances" under the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 is available for inspection in the Personnel Office.
- 2. Information about the penalties employees may suffer as the result of drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.
- 3. A listing of available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs.
- 4. Information about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace.
- 5. Employee Acknowledgment Form. This form must be executed and returned to the Office of Human Resources.

If you have questions, please contact the Human Resources Office at 303-352-3042.

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## **Employee Acknowledgment Form**

I, the undersigned employee of the Community College of Denver, have received a copy of the *Drug-Free Workplace Awareness Program* and:

- 1. I agree to abide by the terms of the program in accordance with State Board policies, and
- 2. I agree to notify my supervisor if I am convicted of violating a criminal drug statute in the workplace no later than five (5) days after the date of such conviction.

Employee Name (print):		
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Employee Signature:	Date:	