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A performance review shall be required in the following instances:

- (1) For permanent State employees, the manager or supervisor shall establish a performance plan for the employee during the first 60 calendar days of the performance cycle. The manager or supervisor shall conduct an interim review at the mid-point of the performance cycle and shall conduct a final performance evaluation annually, within 60 calendar days of the end of the performance cycle. The permanent employee shall have been functioning under an issued performance plan for at least six months to receive an annual performance evaluation.
- (2) For probationary employees, the manager or supervisor shall establish a performance plan for the employee during the first 60 calendar days of employment. The manager or supervisor shall review the probationary employee's performance by conducting quarterly documented performance feedback discussions during the first 12 months of employment. If a probationary employee "Meets Expectations" or "Exceeds Expectations" on all individual goals and individual values, at the end of the first performance cycle, then quarterly documented performance feedback discussions are no longer required. The manager or supervisor shall establish a performance plan for the probationary employee during the first 60 calendar days of the next performance cycle. The manager or supervisor shall conduct an interim review at the mid-point of the performance cycle and shall conduct a final performance evaluation annually, within 60 calendar days of the end of the performance cycle. The probationary employee shall have been functioning under an issued performance plan for at least six months to receive his or her first annual performance evaluation.
- (3) For time-limited employees, the manager or supervisor shall establish a performance plan for the employee during the first 60 calendar days of employment. The manager or supervisor shall review the time-limited employee's performance by conducting quarterly documented performance feedback discussions. The time-limited employee shall have been functioning under an issued performance plan for at least six months to receive his or her first annual performance evaluation. If the employee's performance indicates he or she is not suited for the position and cannot be expected to meet satisfactory performance standards, the employee shall be separated. If he or she meets satisfactory performance standards, the manager or supervisor shall establish a performance plan for the employee during the first 60 calendar days of the next performance cycle. The manager or supervisor shall conduct a final performance evaluation annually, within 60 calendar days of the end of the performance cycle.
- (4) When an employee transfers to another position within state government, the existing manager or supervisor shall assess performance and document progress and ratings prior to the transfer. If the transfer occurs within 30 calendar days of the end of the interim review or annual performance evaluation, then a copy of the completed and signed interim review or the completed (i.e., documentation provided and ratings assigned) and signed annual performance evaluation shall be sent to the receiving manager or supervisor. If the transfer occurs more than 30 calendar days prior to the interim review or annual performance evaluation, the existing manager or supervisor shall provide written performance information accountable for ensuring continuity of performance documentation specific to the employee's achievement of established goals and values to the receiving manager or supervisor.
- (5) When there is a change in the manager or supervisor, the existing manager or supervisor shall provide written performance information specific to the employee's achievement of established goals and values to the receiving manager or supervisor. If the change in the manager or supervisor occurs within 30 calendar days of the interim review or annual performance evaluation, then the existing manager or supervisor shall complete the interim review or formal performance evaluation.
- (6) When an employee separates from state government, the manager or supervisor shall assess performance and assign a final overall performance rating, unless the employee's separation is due to a documented disciplinary action, retirement, disability, illness, or death. The separating employee shall have been functioning under an issued performance plan for at least six months to be assigned a final overall performance rating. For an employee who is separated for any reason other than documented disciplinary action, retirement, disability, illness, or death, any final overall performance rating of "Does Not Meet Expectations" must be approved by the agency Human

Resources Director or his or her designee, based on performance documentation provided by the separating employee and his or her manager or supervisor.

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