# COMPETENCIES FOR INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS (PROFESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT STAFF)

Staff classified as *Individual Contributors (Professional and Administrative Support Staff)* may oversee the workflow of staff and projects but do not exercise direct supervisory authority. This group will also include Individual Contributors who may have specialized functional knowledge and responsibilities.

### **JOB KNOWLEDGE & SKILL APPLICATION**

Demonstrates an understanding of knowledge specific to a technical, professional, or administrative field of work through the application of related skills. Examples of behaviors associated with this competency include, but are not limited to:

- Demonstrates a thorough understanding of the practices or concepts associated with the field of work and applies appropriately depending on the assignment or issue
- Seeks out and effectively utilizes available resources when completing work assignments
- Works within available guidelines or approaches, but knows how to adjust or adapt methods depending on the result required
- Keeps abreast of current developments and demonstrates an awareness of new practices and approaches by utilizing this knowledge in related work activities

### COMMUNICATION

Ability to convey information verbally and in writing to foster, encourage and facilitate open communication. Examples of behaviors associated with this competency include, but are not limited to:

- Speaks to clients and colleagues in a respectful and thoughtful manner
- Develops effective written communications and uses them appropriately
- Expresses information clearly in one-on-one conversations and groups and accurately interprets information

### **JUDGMENT / DECISION MAKING**

Makes timely, informed decisions using judgment and considering the facts, goals, constraints and risks. Examples of behaviors associated with this competency include, but are not limited to:

- Keeps appropriate professional and personal confidences
- Distinguishes relevant from irrelevant information
- Models the use of sound judgment and integrity to make clear transparent decisions regarding complex and/or sensitive issues or materials

#### **CLIENT SERVICE**

Ability to meet/exceed client service needs and expectations and provide excellent service in a direct or indirect manner. Examples of behaviors associated with this competency include, but are not limited to:

- Recognizes "who" the client is and seeks to identify ways to increase satisfaction
- Acts as a role model in demonstrating service culture
- Seeks input, meets expectations, maintains communication and follows up with the client
- Demonstrates genuine caring and empathy through personal demeanor and approach

# PERFORMANCE FEEDBACK PROGRAM

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## **ACCOUNTABILITY & DEPENDABILITY**

Promotes organizational mission and goals, and models the way to achieve them. Examples of behaviors associated with this competency include, but are not limited to:

- Models Einstein's mission, vision, values and strategic goals
- Does not diffuse blame for not meeting expectations; faces up to problems timely and directly
- Conveys confidence in ability to prevail over challenges and reach their goals
- Sets clear expectations as well as meaningful, challenging and attainable goals that are aligned with those of the organization

## **COLLABORATION / TEAMWORK**

Encourages cooperation, collaboration and partnerships with others to achieve set goals and/or implement department and strategic goals. Examples of behaviors associated with this competency include, but are not limited to:

- Respects diverse thoughts, views and approaches and fosters cooperation and collaboration in others through trust-building and relationships
- Collaborate with others to promote Einstein's services and resources to meet the needs of staff, students and faculty
- Demonstrates a cooperative spirit and contributes to a positive and supportive working environment
- Leverages knowledge, skills and abilities to solve problems and contribute to team/department reaching achieving its set goals

# TECHNOLOGY

Ability to apply various forms of technology to communicate, solve problems and improve efficiency. Examples of behaviors associated with this competency include, but are not limited to:

- Understands and uses technology to accomplish goals and solve problems
- Effectively uses and applies technology to improve work processes
- Successfully communicates using technology
- Manages and proactively determines how technology can be used to improve department and operational efficiency