Performance Interview Planning Checklist

Preparation							
Interview Planning Checklist Items	Yes	No	Not Required	Comments			
Has an agenda for the interview been developed?							
Have the objectives and goals been identified for the meeting?							
Has past performance interview information been obtained?							
Has performance information for the employee been collected from all applicable sources?							
Have the agenda, objective, goals, etc., for the performance interview been communicated to the employee?							
Does the structure of the interview focus on job performance, not personal characteristics?							
Does the structure of the interview take into consideration the employee's job description and/or the employee's service description?							
Have the interview time and place been communicated to all parties involved?							
Is the location of the interview a positive environment to help the employee feel at ease?							
Is the time of the interview convenient for all parties involved?							
Is there ample time allotted for the interview to ensure that all agenda items can be sufficiently discussed?							

Execution								
Interview Planning Checklist Items	Yes	No	Not Required	Comments				
Is the employee at ease and comfortable within the interview setting?								
Have the agenda, objective, goals, etc., for the performance interview been restated?								
Has the employee been given the opportunity to appraise his or her own performance?								
Have organizational changes that will affect the employee been communicated to the employee?								
Have possibilities or opportunities for advancement been discussed with the employee?								
When addressing aspects of the employee's performance, were methods for improvement discussed where applicable?								
Has a preliminary list of future performance evaluation criteria been communicated?								
Has the employee been provided with an opportunity to ask questions and to give feedback?								
Has a verbal summary of the employee's performance been communicated with the employee?								
Has performance feedback been given, both positive and negative (start with the positive)?								
Has the employee acknowledged the information discussed during the interview by signing a performance document?								

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Conclusion					
Interview Planning Checklist Items	Yes	No	Not Required	Comments	
Have the employee's contributions, identified during the interview, been recognized?					
Has confidence in the employee's performance been adequately communicated?					
Has the performance review been measured and quantified against organizational performance criteria?					
Was the interview conducted without bias and were professional ethics/guidelines followed?					
Has an overview of action steps been communicated (including a time frame for completion)?					
Has a written summary of the employee's performance been delivered to appropriate personnel?					
Has a follow-up meeting been set up to discuss open items from the interview?					
Has a support and monitoring mechanism been established to assist the employee?					