Effective

Key Leadership Competencies

Effective Behaviours

Deputy Minister to Supervisor



DEPUTY MINISTER

VALUES AND ETHICS — Serving through integrity and respect

- ► Demonstrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, in personal behaviour
- ► Integrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, into departmental practices
- ► Makes transparent decisions without favouritism or bias
- ► Models and instils commitment to citizen-focussed service and the public good
- ► Provides fearless advice and acts with the courage of his or her convictions
- ► Recognizes and reconciles competing values
- ► Creates a bilingual, inclusive, and diverse culture built on Official Languages (OL) and Employment Equity (EE) policies
- ► Models and builds a culture of respect for people and PS principles

STRATEGIC THINKING — Innovating through Analysis and Ideas

Analysis

- ► Frames issues with a thorough understanding of legislation and the role of the DM
- ▶ Identifies links between global, societal, and economic trends, stakeholder concerns, the policy agenda, public service values, and departmental, regional and horizontal issues
- ► Extracts the key issues from complex, ambiguous, rapidly changing contexts
- ► Analyzes problems thoroughly before developing solutions

Ideas

- Provides quality judgment and policy advice to the Minister
- ► Develops vision and policy, based on broader PS vision and policy and the national context
- ► Projects beyond the status quo to the department's potential contribution to society
- ► Sets necessary transformational goals with broad perspective and long-term timelines
- ► Encourages debate and ideas from across hierarchy, skills sets, and stakeholders
- ► Anticipates emerging issues / changing context and develops strategies quickly to solve problems or seize opportunities
- ► Teaches and learns from others

- Develops effective working relationships and trust with the Minister and Minister's Office
- ► Acts as interface and builds relations between the Minister, partners, stakeholders, and Central Agencies
- ► Mobilizes and motivates teams to achieve objectives
- Builds a commitment to excellence and common purpose by promoting the vision internally and externally
- ► Collaborates with strategic alliances to achieve departmental and shared objectives
- ► Develops and implements effective communication and engagement strategies with partners, including unions
- ▶ Builds support through influence, negotiation, and balancing national and regional interests
- ▶ Removes barriers to collaboration
- ► Works with other DMs as a corporate collective to strengthen PS results for Canadians

MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE — Delivering through Action Management, People Management, Financial Management

Action Management — Design and Execution

- ► Leads organizational change that maximizes results, departmentally and PS-wide
- ▶ Builds an effective, sustainable organization through stewardship and governance
- ► Creates, aligns, and integrates structures, systems, and teams to better achieve objectives
- ► Integrates the business plan into a transparent management framework
- Integrates Comptrollership, MAF, federal legislation, regulations, and policies into organizational practices
- ► Fulfils obligations of management accountabilities
- ► Applies and encourages strategic risk management practices
- ► Integrates HR, Finance, IT, IM, and Communications issues into planning and actions
- ► Revises goals and plans to reflect changing priorities or conditions
- ► Commits to a course of action despite incomplete information, if required
- ► Makes decisions, initiates urgent actions, and remains calm in crisis situations
- ► Recognizes and acknowledges errors and makes corrections

People Management — Individuals and Workforce

- ► Invests time in managing and developing people, individually and collectively
- ► Looks after people and builds staff morale
- ► Provides clear direction on priorities
- ► Encourages reasonable and strategic risk taking
- ► Recognizes and rewards results and deals constructively with setbacks
- ► Gives clear, honest feedback and manages non-performance
- ▶ Builds accountability and value for people management within the executive community
- ► Provides people with the ongoing learning, support, and tools they need
- ► Ensures the workforce has the capacity and diversity to meet current and future needs
- ▶ Builds rigorous HR systems and fulfils obligations of HRM accountabilities
- Collaborates within the DM collective on PS-wide HR initiatives and issues

- ► Implements strategies to achieve operational efficiencies and value for money
- ▶ Builds, operates, and monitors rigorous systems for Financial Information Management, internal audit, and evaluation
- ► Fulfils obligations of accountabilities for departmental finance and assets management
- ► Delegates authority, responsibility, and accountability to appropriate levels
- ► Acts on audit, evaluation, and other objective performance information
- ► Links financial and performance information
- ► Manages stewardship issues actively, e.g. chairs audit and evaluation committees, seeks strategic re-allocation

ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER

VALUES AND ETHICS — Serving through integrity and respect

- ► Demonstrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, in personal behaviour
- ► Integrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, into branch practices
- ► Reflects a commitment to citizens and clients in own and branch activities
- ► Provides fearless advice and acts with the courage of his or her convictions
- ► Builds departmental values into branch policies and programs
- ▶ Builds and promotes a bilingual, diverse, inclusive branch, based on OL and EE policies
- ▶ Builds and promotes a safe and healthy, respectful branch, free of harassment and discrimination
- ► Models transparency and fairness

STRATEGIC THINKING — Innovating through Analysis and Ideas

Analysis

- ► Frames questions and analyses with a thorough understanding of legislation and the ADM role
- ► Seeks DM, government, national, regional, global, and technical perspectives on sector issues
- ► Recognizes critical or sensitive issues and makes links to priorities
- ► Distinguishes between critical and trivial factors in making judgments
- ► Analyzes setbacks and seeks honest feedback to learn from mistakes

Ideas

- ► Provides quality judgment and policy advice to the DM
- ► Contributes to the elaboration of the collective/DM vision
- Articulates the vision in terms of own mandate
- ► Develops innovative solutions to non-traditional problems
- ► Develops strategies to manage the scope and pace of change
- Develops strategies that are effective in the short and longer term
- ► Encourages constructive questioning of policies
- ► Envisions possibilities without detailed information
- ► Exercises sound professional judgment based on analysis and consultation, as needed
- ► Teaches and learns from others

- ► Cultivates effective relationships and networks with Central Agencies, other departments, clients, citizens, unions, central and regional employees, and other levels of government
- ▶ Provides communication links up, down, and throughout the organization and networks
- ► Communicates with and encourages candour and clarity
- ► Communicates and interprets external contexts to position branch, team, and individual contributions
- ► Demonstrates and elicits trust by seeking and providing honest and constructive feedback
- Actively listens to and understands impact on others
- ► Influences outcomes by negotiating win-win solutions and compromise, and resolving conflict
- ► Tailors approach to context, e.g., collaborative for consensus building, directive in crisis
- ► Inspires a commitment to excellence by demonstrating passionate personal commitment
- ► Works with the departmental and PS-wide ADM community to deliver on shared objectives
- ► Creates an open, positive environment to stimulate open discussion

MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE — Delivering through Action Management,

People Management, Financial Management

Action Management — Design and Execution

- ► Leads change that maximizes results, in the branch, departmentally, and in the sector
- ► Acts as a steward for the entire department, not just his or her own branch
- ► Identifies and communicates priorities, milestones, timelines, performance measures, clear accountabilities, and performance agreements for DGs
- ► Designs and manages a strategic risk management framework
- ► Coordinates national and regional priorities, planning, and performance
- ► Aligns priorities and resources
- ► Follows through on the branch business plan from planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating to reporting
- ► Integrates Comptrollership, MAF, federal legislation, regulations, and policies into branch practices
- ► Fulfils obligations of branch management accountabilities
- ► Integrates HR, Finance, IT, IM, and Communications issues into planning and actions
- ► Revises goals and plans to reflect changing priorities or conditions
- ► Commits to a course of action despite incomplete information, if required
- ► Makes decisions, initiates urgent actions, and remains calm in crisis situations
- ► Recognizes and acknowledges errors and makes corrections

People Management — Individuals and Workforce

- ► Develops HR strategy for succession planning
- Creates expert teams to address specific or crisis issues
- ► Sets clear expectations, monitors, evaluates, rewards, and develops performance
- ► Recognizes people's accomplishments and best efforts
- ► Gives honest feedback, encourages learning, and manages non-performance
- ► Deals with HR problems decisively and effectively
- ► Recognizes the importance of and supports the DG community
- ► Balances complementary strengths in teams
- ► Builds leadership throughout the branch
- ► Guides and develops people through appraisals, career planning, and development
- ► Consults with support services prior to changing HR protocols
- ► Implements rigorous HR systems and fulfils obligations of HRM accountabilities

- ► Allocates resources transparently and establishes a culture of ongoing re-allocation
- ► Aligns business drivers with financial management regime
- ▶ Promotes innovative approaches to deal with fiscal restraint
- ► Integrates comptrollership processes and promotes due diligence
- ► Reviews and reacts to the results of audits and evaluations
- ► Monitors performance and seeks efficiencies continuously
- ► Fulfils obligations of accountabilities for branch financial management
- Provides objective, credible, and timely reporting to the DM
- ► Consults with support services prior to changing financial protocols

DIRECTOR GENERAL

VALUES AND ETHICS — Serving through integrity and respect

- ► Demonstrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, in personal behaviour
- ► Integrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, into directorate practices
- ▶ Builds departmental values into directorate policies and programs
- ► Reflects a commitment to citizens and clients in own and directorate activities
- ▶ Builds and promotes a safe and healthy, respectful directorate, free of harassment and discrimination
- Promotes transparency and fairness
- ► Creates opportunities for and encourages bilingualism and diversity in the directorate, based on OL and EE policies

STRATEGIC THINKING — Innovating through Analysis and Ideas

Analysis

- Frames questions and analyses with a thorough understanding of sectoral and policy issues
- Seeks clarification and direction from the ADM
- ► Conducts strategic analysis of trends within the directorate, organization, and external environment
- ► Integrates multiple domains of information and identifies the links
- Seeks broad perspectives and expertise
- ► Tracks changing organizational dynamics
- ► Analyzes setbacks and seeks honest feedback to learn from mistakes

Ideas

- ► Identifies key elements of the vision and implications for the directorate
- ► Translates vision and policy into concrete direction and plans
- Links directorate programs and services to department and branch policies
- ► Makes effective recommendations to the ADM
- ► Seeks input of staff to create plans and solutions
- Encourages constructive questioning of practices
- ► Encourages experimentation to maximize potential for innovation
- ► Identifies solutions, alternatives, and consequences
- ► Teaches and learns from others

- ► Implements inclusive, cooperative approaches with peers, staff, and superiors
- ► Fosters an inclusive and sensitive interpersonal climate
- ▶ Promotes consensus across diverse groups, interests, and opinions
- Solicits and listens to ideas and concerns of staff, unions, and other stakeholders
- ► Mobilizes the team to achieve directorate and departmental goals
- Communicates and supports corporate decisions
- ► Fosters enthusiasm and common purpose
- ► Shares information with staff regularly and as it becomes available
- ► Follows through on commitments
- Communicates vision and information with clarity and commitment
- Manages relationships between stakeholders

MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE — Delivering through Action Management,

People Management, Financial Management

Action Management — Design and Execution

- ► Identifies and communicates priorities, milestones, timelines, performance measures, clear accountabilities, and performance agreements for Directors
- ► Coordinates and manages across multiple directorate programs and projects
- ► Ensures necessary resources, processes, and systems are in place
- ► Develops process with management team to set priorities, make decisions
- ► Performs risk analysis to assess viability of opportunities
- ► Coordinates activities within directorate to assign accountability and avoid duplication
- ► Seeks and heeds early warning signs, adapting plans and strategies as required
- ► Follows through on the directorate's business plan from planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating to reporting
- ► Integrates Comptrollership, MAF, federal legislation, regulations, and policies into directorate practices
- ► Manages own and others' work-life balance
- ► Responds decisively and quickly to emerging opportunities or risks
- ► Maintains sound judgment and decision making in demanding or stressful situations

People Management — Individuals and Workforce

- ► Implements HR strategy to ensure workforce capacity and diversity to meet current and future directorate needs
- ► Coaches, challenges, and provides opportunities for growth
- Sets clear expectations and provides clear direction
- Manages staff workload
- ► Builds complementary teams
- ► Provides honest, straightforward feedback and manages non-performance
- ► Recognizes and acknowledges good work
- ► Acts as a role model for Directors
- ► Develops strategies to reduce stress within the directorate
- Secures funding for OL and other training
- ► Implements rigorous HR practices and fulfils obligations of HRM accountabilities

- ► Allocates and manages directorate resources transparently
- ► Implements strategies to achieve operational efficiencies and value for money
- ► Operates and monitors rigorous systems for Financial Information Management, internal audit, and evaluation
- ► Fulfils obligations of accountabilities for directorate finance and assets management
- ► Acts on audit, evaluation, and other objective directorate performance information

DIRECTOR

VALUES AND ETHICS — Serving through integrity and respect

- ► Demonstrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, in personal behaviour
- ► Integrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, into division practices
- ► Reflects a commitment to citizens and clients in own and division activities
- ► Fosters a climate of transparency, trust, and respect within the division and in partnerships
- ► Incorporates equitable practices into HR planning
- ► Creates opportunities for and encourages bilingualism and diversity in the division, based on OL and EE policies
- ▶ Builds and promotes a safe and healthy, respectful division, free of harassment and discrimination
- ► Practices transparency and fairness in all transactions, including staffing, contracting, and day-to-day activities

STRATEGIC THINKING — Innovating through Analysis and Ideas

Analysis

- ► Frames division direction with a thorough understanding of the directorate's priorities
- ► Seeks clarification and direction from the DG, as required
- ► Integrates information from multiple sources to form a comprehensive perspective
- ► Identifies interdependencies in cross-functional projects
- ► Analyzes setbacks and seeks honest feedback to learn from mistakes

Ideas

- Translates vision and policy into concrete work activities
- Develops division strategies, based on the departmental vision and the DG's direction
- ► Designs initiatives to enhance operational efficiency
- ► Encourages and incorporates diverse initiatives and perspectives
- ► Redesigns the division's work activities to meet changing departmental needs
- ▶ Makes effective recommendations to the DG
- ► Teaches and learns from others

- ► Shares information vertically and horizontally
- ► Promotes collaboration among managers
- Uses persuasion to gain support for initiatives
- Negotiates compromises
- ► Adapts communications to suit audience and forum
- ► Communicates regularly and openly with unions and other stakeholders
- ► Demonstrates understanding of and respect for stakeholders' views
- ► Follows through on commitments
- ► Solicits input from and listens to staff, partners, and stakeholders
- ► Communicates vision and division plans with clarity and commitment
- ► Establishes regular and comprehensive exchanges of ideas
- ▶ Promotes and funds team building

MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE — Delivering through Action Management, People Management, Financial Management

Action Management — Design and Execution

- ► Designs division work plans based on the big picture
- ► Guides division projects and resources to avoid obstacles
- Delegates appropriately to managers
- ► Manages resources to maximize output
- ► Sets realistic timelines and clear accountabilities for managers
- Provides structure and momentum for division work activities
- ► Sets challenging but realistic goals
- ► Identifies division limits and resource requirements for workload
- Manages the division's workload through prudent resource planning and prioritizing
- ► Shifts priorities and adapts division work plans, as required
- ► Heeds early warning signals and advises the DG and others, as needed
- ► Follows through on the division's business plan from planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating to reporting
- ► Integrates Comptrollership, MAF, federal legislation, regulations, and policies into division practices
- ► Manages own and others' work-life balance
- ► Responds decisively and quickly to emerging opportunities or risks
- ► Maintains composure in adverse situations to alleviate pressure and maintain momentum

People Management — Individuals and Workforce

- ► Works one-on-one with managers
- ► Deals with ineffective performance
- ▶ Provides regular feedback, acknowledges success and the need for improvement
- ► Coaches, challenges, and provides opportunities for growth
- ► Resolves labour relations problems
- ► Secures mediation, if required
- Balances the needs of employees and the organization
- ► Monitors and addresses workplace well-being
- ► Develops and supports career plans and learning opportunities
- Develops an HR strategy for division succession planning
- Secures funding for OL and other training
- ► Manages workload
- ► Implements rigorous HR practices and fulfils obligations of HRM accountabilities

- ► Allocates and manages division resources transparently
- ► Implements strategies to achieve operational efficiencies and value for money
- ► Applies and monitors rigorous systems for Financial Information Management, internal audit, and evaluation
- ► Fulfils obligations of accountabilities for division finance and assets management
- ► Acts on audit, evaluation, and other objective division performance information

MANAGER

VALUES AND ETHICS — Serving through integrity and respect

- ► Demonstrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, in personal behaviour
- ► Integrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, into unit practices
- ▶ Reflects a commitment to citizens and clients in own and unit activities
- ► Fosters a climate of transparency, trust, and respect within the unit and in partnerships
- ► Incorporates equitable practices into HR planning
- ► Supports opportunities for and encourages bilingualism and diversity in the unit, based on OL and EE policies
- ▶ Builds and promotes a safe and healthy, respectful unit, free of harassment and discrimination
- ► Acts with transparency and fairness in all transactions, including staffing, contracting, and day-to-day activities

STRATEGIC THINKING — Innovating through Analysis and Ideas

Analysis

- ► Develops unit direction, based on a thorough understanding of the functional area
- ► Tracks changing division priorities and analyzes impact on unit work plans
- ► Seeks clarification and direction from the Director, as required
- ► Coordinates information from multiple projects to form a comprehensive perspective
- ► Identifies interdependencies across unit projects
- ► Analyzes setbacks and seeks honest feedback to learn from mistakes

Ideas

- ► Translates the division's direction into concrete unit work activities
- ► Designs solutions to operational problems
- Encourages and incorporates diverse and creative initiatives and perspectives
- ► Redesigns the unit's work activities to meet changing needs
- ▶ Makes effective recommendations to the Director
- ► Considers the people components of issues and decisions
- ► Teaches and learns from others

- ► Shares information vertically and horizontally
- ► Promotes collaboration among supervisors on related projects
- ► Encourages open constructive discussion of diverse perspectives
- ► Recognizes opportunities to enhance outcomes through partnerships
- ► Manages group dynamics in a diverse workforce within the unit and across projects
- Gives credit for the contributions of partners
- Accurately represents the concerns, ideas, and views of staff to upper management
- ► Mediates and facilitates relationships between supervisors
- ► Follows through on commitments
- ► Solicits input from and listens to staff, partners, and stakeholders
- Communicates with clarity and commitment
- ► Establishes regular and comprehensive exchanges of ideas

MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE — Delivering through Action Management,

People Management, Financial Management

Action Management — Design and Execution

- ► Establishes unit targets for quality and productivity
- ► Identifies financial and human resources requirements
- ► Assigns and reallocates resources, as required, and to capitalize on diversity
- ► Delegates appropriately to supervisors
- ► Sets realistic timelines and clear accountabilities for supervisors
- ► Provides structure and momentum for unit projects
- ► Sets challenging but realistic goals
- ► Identifies unit limits and resource requirements for workload
- ► Manages unit workload through negotiating timelines, prudent resource planning and prioritizing
- ► Maintains composure in demanding or stressful situations
- ► Shifts priorities and adapts unit work plans, as required
- Manages activities on an ongoing basis
- ► Heeds early warning signals and advises the Director and others, as needed
- ► Follows through on the unit's business plan from planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating to reporting
- ► Integrates Comptrollership, MAF, federal legislation, regulations, and policies into unit practices
- ► Manages own and others' work-life balance
- ► Responds decisively and quickly to emerging opportunities or risks
- ► Maintains composure in adverse situations to alleviate pressure and maintain momentum

People Management — Individuals and Workforce

- ► Works one-on-one with supervisors
- ► Optimizes diversity among team members to build strong teams with complementary strengths
- ► Supports and defends the interests of staff, as necessary and appropriate
- ► Deals with ineffective performance
- ► Provides regular feedback, acknowledges success and the need for improvement
- ► Coaches, challenges, and provides opportunities for growth
- ► Resolves labour relations problems
- ► Secures mediation, if required
- ► Balances the needs of employees and the organization
- ► Monitors and addresses workplace well-being
- Develops and supports career plans and learning opportunities
- ► Develops HR strategy for unit succession planning
- ► Secures funding for OL and other training
- ▶ Implements rigorous HR practices and fulfils obligations of HRM accountabilities

- ► Allocates and manages unit resources transparently
- ► Implements strategies to achieve operational efficiencies and value for money
- Applies and monitors rigorous systems for Financial Information Management, internal audit, and evaluation
- ► Fulfils obligations of accountabilities for unit finance and assets management
- ► Acts on audit, evaluation, and other objective unit performance information

SUPERVISOR

VALUES AND ETHICS — Serving through integrity and respect

- ► Demonstrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, in personal behaviour
- ► Integrates Values and Ethics, including the Code, into staff work practices
- ▶ Reflects a commitment to citizens and clients in own and staff activities
- ► Fosters a climate of transparency, trust, and respect among staff and in partnerships
- ► Incorporates equitable practices into HR management
- ► Encourages bilingualism and diversity, based on OL and EE policies
- ► Builds and promotes a safe and healthy, respectful workplace
- ► Is alert to and deals quickly with harassment and discrimination
- ► Manages work activities and transactions with transparency and fairness

STRATEGIC THINKING — Innovating through Analysis and Ideas

Analysis

- ► Develops project work plans with a thorough understanding of the functional area
- Seeks clarification and direction from the manager, as required
- ► Links information across individual work to form a comprehensive perspective
- Tracks changing unit priorities and analyzes impact on staff activities
- ► Analyzes setbacks and seeks honest feedback to learn from mistakes

Ideas

- Translates unit direction into concrete project activities
- ► Develops solutions to recurring problems
- ► Encourages and incorporates creativity and learning
- ► Redesigns staff work activities to meet changing project needs
- Makes effective recommendations to the Manager
- ► Teaches and learns from others

- ► Shares information broadly with staff and peers
- ► Promotes collaboration among staff
- ► Encourages open, constructive discussion of diverse perspectives
- ► Manages interpersonal relationships among staff
- Relates effectively to people with disabilities or with different values, personalities, or cultural backgrounds
- ► Provides effective forums for staff to express ideas, views, and concerns
- Uses meetings as an opportunity to generate collegiality and unity
- ► Listens to and acts on staff concerns
- ► Solicits input from and listens to staff, partners, and stakeholders
- Communicates work plans with clarity and commitment
- ► Establishes regular and comprehensive exchanges of ideas with individuals and the team
- Models and elicits trust

MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE — Delivering through Action Management,

People Management, Financial Management

Action Management — Design and Execution

- ► Coordinates people's work activities
- ► Delegates tasks to staff appropriately
- ► Instructs staff on tasks, goals, processes, and performance standards
- ► Monitors activities to ensure they are carried out effectively and efficiently
- ► Ensures work is congruent with formal procedures and regulations
- Adapts regular procedures flexibly to best meet objectives
- Maintains a positive outlook in the face of setbacks
- Shifts priorities and adapts work plans to reflect changes
- Manages activities on a daily basis
- ► Heeds early warning signals and advises the Manager and others, as needed
- ► Follows through on project plans from planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating to reporting
- ► Integrates Comptrollership, MAF, federal legislation, regulations, and policies into work practices
- ► Manages own and others' work-life balance
- ► Models successful coping with stressful situations

People Management — Individuals and Workforce

- ► Evaluates individual performance fairly, taking account of diversity
- ► Identifies opportunities that challenge and encourage the development of people
- ► Resolves interpersonal or personal problems that are affecting performance
- ► Reduces stress factors in the workplace as much as possible
- ► Addresses harassment or discrimination guickly
- ► Works one-on-one with staff
- ► Deals with ineffective performance
- ▶ Provides regular feedback, acknowledges success and the need for improvement
- ► Manages labour relations problems
- Secures mediation, if required
- ► Balances the needs of employees and the organization
- ► Monitors and addresses workplace well-being
- ► Develops and supports career plans and learning opportunities
- Manages workload
- ► Implements rigorous HR practices

- ► Allocates and manages project resources transparently
- ► Implements strategies to achieve operational efficiencies and value for money
- ► Applies and monitors rigorous systems for Financial Information Management, internal audit, and evaluation
- ► Fulfils obligations for project finance and assets management
- ► Acts on audit, evaluation, and other objective project team performance information

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