Line managers checklist: Suspension policy



	This document is to be used in conjunction wit	h the supsension policy and procedure	Date completed	
Step 1: Points to consider prior to a suspension				
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2.	If suspension is a potential outcome, are there justifiable reasons or grounds for suspension?			
3.	Have you considered the following alternatives instead of suspension?			
	Alternatives considered Please	note reasons why it cannot be accommodated		
	□ being moved to a different area of the workplace			
	working from home			
	changing their working hours			
	□ being placed on restricted/ administrative duties			
	working under supervision			
	□ being transferred temporarily to a different role			
	within the organisation.			
	(The role should be of a similar status to their normal role ~ pay and hours remain the same as			
	their current terms and conditions)			
	Check if any alternative role needs a different level of DBS clear			
4.	Does the employee hold a professional qualification associated to			
	e.g., NMC (Nursing Midwifery Council) or TRA (Teaching Regulat with the case management team or your people and corporate s			
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0.	6. Check – do you have a contractual right to suspend the employee (i.e., ensure they are a States Employment Board employee and not employed by an agency).			
6.	5. Speak with your departmental People and Corporate Services representative/HR Business Partner, or Case Management for advice about the suspension policy and how to prepare for the suspension meeting			

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7.	If employee has another role in Government, suspension may be required in both roles. Discuss with the HR case				
	management team or People and Corporate services representative.				
8.	Prepare in advance who will be the suspending officer and People and Corporate Services representative. If notice can				
	be given, send a notification (e.g., email /phone call) confirming that there will be a meeting to discuss workplace				
	concerns. You must offer the option of a union representative or workplace colleague to attend.				
9.	Inform the departmental Chief Officer/delegate of the suspension, providing details of points 1-3 above. Approval must				
	be confirmed in writing. (They must be informed to ensure they are meeting their obligations as delegated by the States				
	Employment Board).				
Step	Step 2 – Suspension Meeting				
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10.	Complete the Case Management referral form within 1 day of suspension meeting together with a copy of the suspension				
	letter. Confirm HR support has been arranged				
11.	Carry out suspension meeting, as per the suspension policy. Follow the below points in the meeting as per the suspension				
	letter; Ensure they have been given a copy of the suspension policy and any accompanying documents.				
12.	Reason for the suspension given to employee including the conditions of the suspension				
13.	If safeguarding allegations: ask the employee if they hold a secondary role or voluntary role that involves working with				
	vulnerable people? If yes, inform the employee the relevant safeguarding service will be notified (e.g., Jersey Designated				
	Officer)				
	Consider second role, e.g., data protection allegations, does access need to be restricted/removed in both roles?				
14.	Employee notified will receive full contractual pay (and any other pay if relevant, please refer to the suspension policy)				
15.	Check and confirm employees contact details – home address and mobile/ home number/email address				
16.	Has any annual leave been pre-booked? Confirm dates for any investigation purpose or future meetings scheduled.				
17.	Signed suspension letter on headed paper given to employee, or post by recorded delivery/secure email within 1 working				
	day.				
18.	Consider communication of the employee's absence from work to the wider team, workload distribution, maintaining				
	confidentiality.				
	Disable access/badges/entry/IT (if applicable)				
Step	o 3 - Suspension Review panel				
19.	A review is taken place after 28 calendar days by an independent panel to assess whether the terms of the suspension				
	are still valid. Explain to employee that they will receive an invitation to attend these meetings with their representative if				
	suspended for longer than 28 days.				
Step	Step 4 – Lifting of suspension				

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20.	Hold a meeting with PCS representative (or whoever was involved in the suspension) to discuss the lifting of the suspension, consider the below steps prior to meeting with the employee;	
21.	If there are safeguarding alert's with JDO/ ADWO, set up a separate meeting to discuss the next steps and put in place any recommendations.	
22.	Subject to the outcome, if the person holds a professional qualification associated to the post, consider whether a referral needs to be made to the NMC (Nursing Midwifery Council) or TRA (Teaching Regulation Agency) or other relevant professional body.	
23.	Put in place a return-to-work plan and communicate this with the employee and any support plan that may be required.	
24.	Meet with employee once the outcome letter has been sent by the panel (or following conclusion of investigation if not substantiated). Ensure advice is received from your People and Corporate Services representative or HR Case Management.	

Signature of line manager:

Date: