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# **Competency Profile for Information Dissemination – Librarian**

#### **ADAPTABILITY**

Adapting in order to work effectively in ambiguous or changing situations, and with diverse individuals and groups

## Level 3: Adapts to widely varying needs.

- Adapts to new ideas and initiatives across a wide variety of issues or situations.
- Supports major changes that challenge traditional ways of operating.
- Adapts interpersonal style to highly diverse individuals and groups in a range of situations.
- Adapts own plans and priorities in anticipation of change.

#### **CLIENT FOCUS**

Providing service excellence to internal and/or external clients, addressing immediate and evolving client needs

#### Level 3: Provides added value.

- Looks for ways to add value beyond clients' immediate requests.
- Addresses underlying and long-term client needs.
- Enhances client service delivery systems and processes.
- Anticipates clients' upcoming needs and concerns.

#### **EXEMPLIFYING INTEGRITY**

Treating others fairly, honestly and respectfully, furthering the integrity of the organization and its relationships of trust within the work environment and in the broader community

#### Level 1: Acts in fair and ethical manner toward others.

- Treats everyone equally with fairness, honesty and respect all the time.
- Refrains from behaviour or language that is exclusionary or offensive.
- Focuses on organizational success rather than personal gain.
- Follows through consistently on promises and commitments made to others.
- Presents facts and circumstances transparently, no matter how difficult the facts may be.
- Guards confidential and sensitive information, passing it on only to those that need to know.
- Maintains ethical principles even in the most challenging circumstances.

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL AWARENESS**

Understanding the workings, structure, culture and distribution of power within and beyond the organization and for Parliament as a whole, and applying this understanding to solve problems and achieve desired outcomes

### Level 2: Understands and applies informal organizational structures and processes.

- Identifies the unwritten, informal structures, culture, rules, power dynamics and decisionmaking processes.
- Builds an informal network of relationships to facilitate progress toward objectives.
- Positions arguments based on an understanding of informal communities of shared interest.
- Recognizes unspoken organizational constraints what is and is not possible at certain times or at certain levels.
- Applies both formal and informal channels or networks for acquiring information and assistance and for accomplishing work goals.

#### DATA / INFORMATION RETRIEVAL AND ANALYSIS

Locating and retrieving data/information from a wide variety of sources and analyzing it to extract insights and meaning

# Level 4: Demonstrates advanced knowledge and ability, and applies the competency in new or complex situations. Guides other professionals.

- Performs complex and difficult data/information retrieval and analysis tasks.
- Synthesizes data from multiple sources.
- Interprets complex information to reach conclusions and/or identify significant trends or patterns, using data, logic, general background knowledge and contextual information.
- Probes with tact and diplomacy to clarify the nature and scope of vague requests for information needs.
- Assists others in discerning and comparing critical information.
- Interprets dense and complex texts that require the use of specialized knowledge and ability to focus over a long period of time.
- Uses a complex mix of data, information and knowledge in all formats.

#### **QUALITY FOCUS**

Implementing procedures and standards to ensure high-quality results, and taking action to identify or manage quality issues, as appropriate

# Level 3: Reviews and coaches others on quality standards.

- Explains the organizational policies and procedures for quality assurance.
- Works at a level that consistently meets and models the quality standards set by the organization.
- Reviews the work of others to ensure that organizational quality standards are met.
- Advises management when quality issues and challenges are apparent.

#### COMMUNICATION

Communicating clearly and respectfully with different audiences, both orally and in writing

# Level 3: Adapts communication.

- Tailors communication (e.g., content, style, tone and medium) to diverse audiences and readerships.
- Reads cues from diverse audiences to assess when and how to change planned communication approach to deliver message effectively.
- Communicates with varying organizational levels, sometimes on the spot.
- Recognizes others' complex or underlying needs, motivations or concerns, communicating effectively despite the sensitivity of the situation.
- Conveys important nuances and context to facilitate understanding of the message or material.

#### **TEAMWORK**

Working collaboratively with others to achieve organizational goals

## Level 2: Proactively assists and involves others.

- Initiates collaboration with others.
- Assumes additional responsibilities to facilitate the achievement of team goals.
- Seeks input from other team members on matters that affect them.
- Provides input to other team members as needed.

## **ANALYTICAL THINKING**

Analyzing and synthesizing information to understand issues, identify options and support sound decision-making

#### Level 3: Analyzes complex situations.

- Analyzes complex situations, breaking each into its constituent parts.
- Evaluates alternative causes or ways of interpreting complex information.
- Identifies connections between situations that are not obviously related.
- Identifies gaps in information and makes assumptions to continue the analysis and/or take action.