

# Competencies and Objectives Adopting Acceptable Attitudes

### 1. Importance of Attitudes in Work & Education:

- ♦ The importance of attitudes in relation to getting hired, enjoying your work, and being successful
- ◆ The meaning of job success doing your job well, being part of a team
- ♦ Thinking positively every individual is in control of his/her own attitudes, each person creates their own work environment, avoid the pitfalls on dwelling on the negatives, and looking for the positive aspects of the situation

# 2. Being There

- ◆ The consequences of being late, missing work, or calling in sick for no apparent reason
- ♦ Keeping you employer informed at all times
- ♦ Meeting and exceeding your employers expectations

### 3. Keeping Your Focus

- ◆ The essentials of keeping your mind on the job
- ◆ Being distracted by idle conversation or personal business
- ◆ Fostering safety and efficiency

# 4. Doing Your Very Best

- ◆ Showing initiative in all situations
- ◆ Always trying to improve knowledge and skills
- ◆ Setting reasonable goals then attempting to exceed them

# 5. Accepting Guidance and Direction

- ◆ Following procedures and standard practices
- ◆ Asking for help, directions, or instructions
- ◆ Accepting criticism

### 6. Being Flexible

- ◆ Being willing to do a little extra
- Being ready to step up and help with extra duties
- ◆ Knowing how to strike a fair balance between your own and other's needs

## 7. Staying Calm

- ◆ Controlling your emotions
- ♦ Making constructive suggestions
- ◆ Learning, practicing and using good communication skills

### 8. Looking After Yourself

- ◆ The value of sleep and exercise
- ◆ The effects of abusing alcohol and drugs
- ♦ How to manage and reduce stress

#### 9. Honesty

- ◆ Respecting your own thoughts and feelings
- ◆ The necessity for completing each assigned task
- Working with integrity

### 10. Having A Good Attitude At Work

- ◆ Positive attitudes will always impress others
- ◆ Positive attitudes lead to more interesting work and eventual promotion
- ♦ Positive attitudes result in personal success as well as personal satisfaction

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# Creating a Service Mentality

### 1. Service = Success

- ◆ Good service is one of the most important skills anyone can have
- ♦ Good service applies to customers, co-workers, and any people you meet
- ◆ Providing good service will ensure success and enjoyment

# 2. Service Expectations

- ◆ Doing more than is expected
- Exhibiting the willingness to put in an effort
- ◆ Treating others the way you would like to be treated

# 3. Solving Difficult Situations

- Being flexible and imaginative in solving customer problems
- Being helpful and courteous no matter how difficult
- ♦ Always do what is best for the customer

### 4. Effective Communication

- ◆ Thinking your ideas through before expressing them
- ◆ The need to speak clearly and sincerely
- ◆ Listening carefully before explaining your point of view

### 5. Expressing Points of View

- Treating customers with respect, making eye contact and dealing directly with their concerns
- ♦ Describing your point of view clearly, using language and terminology the customer can understand
- ◆ Always look for the simplest explanations

### 6. Professionalism

- ◆ Always being on your best behavior
- ♦ Constantly improving your knowledge and skills and how you perform your work
- ◆ Treating every customer with understanding and respect

### 7. Satisfying the Customer's Needs

- ◆ Paying close attention to what the customer is saying and let them know you understand their real needs
- ◆ Satisfying your customer's concerns
- ◆ Learning to listen, observe, ask questions and make suggestions

### 8. Key Points You Must Consider

- ♦ Never stop thinking about giving your best service
- ◆ Great service is a reflection on you, your co-worker, and the organization
- Remember, do more than is expected, communicate clearly, and above all, be professional

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