

### **PROCEDURE**

Procedure Title	Employee And Family Assistance Program		
Procedure Holder	Organizational Effectiveness		
Procedure Approver(s)	Senior Team		
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Related Procedures			
Appendices			
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## **Purpose**

The goal of the Employee and Family Assistance Program (EFAP) is to assist all employees of Confederation College (including full-time, part-time, and temporary employees) in the pursuit of personal and professional well-being. Through the co-ordination of a comprehensive support network aimed at enhancing quality of life, the EFAP offers assistance to employees and their immediate family members experiencing situations which have a negative impact on home life and work performance.

# Scope

The EFAP strives to improve the quality of life for college employees by:

- Introducing primary prevention activities into the workplace and promoting positive attitudes toward healthy lifestyles.
- Introducing information into the workplace focusing on personal and professional well-being.
- Providing support systems which enable referrals, treatment, and rehabilitation of identified stressors affecting job performance.

# **Background**

- 1. The EFAP procedures are designed to provide the most direct means for the employee and/or their immediate family members to receive assistance.
- 2. Initiating problem-solving early may resolve issues/concerns before they become crises; however, assistance is helpful at any stage.



## **Governing Laws and Regulations**

### **Procedure Statements**

- 1. Self-referral may be initiated voluntarily by contacting the EFAP coordinator, Human Resources Services, or a supervisor.
- 2. A co-worker aware that a colleague is experiencing difficulties on the job should advise the employee that the EFAP exists.
- 3. When a supervisor has reason to believe that an employee's performance may be adversely affected by work related or personal problems, the supervisor will offer the resources of the EFAP.

# **Roles and Responsibilities**

#### 1. EMPLOYEE

- a) Approach the EFAP provider for assistance for individual or family support.
- b) Encourage co-workers to seek support through the EFAP when necessary.

#### 2. EMPLOYEE AND FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM CO-ORDINATOR

- a) Maintain strict confidentiality and privacy.
- b) Provide quarterly statistical reports to the College regarding program usage.
- c) Provide materials and related presentations relevant to the College's employees and their families.

#### 3. EMPLOYEE AND FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM COUNSELORS

- a) Provide therapeutic support to employees and/or family members referred to the EFAP.
- b) Refer employees and/or family members requiring ongoing support to community agencies.
- c) Maintain strict confidentiality and privacy.

#### 4. SUPERVISOR

- a) Refer employees to the EFAP and encourage their participation in programs for themselves or their family members.
- b) Provide support to employees and assist in the facilitation of treatment and/or meetings as required.

#### 5. HUMAN RESOURCES SERVICES

- a) Communicate the EFAP to all employees.
- b) Report program usage annually to the Senior Team including analysis and recommendations related to usage.



# Non-Compliance

# **Revision History**

Version	Change	Author	Date of Change