POLICY STATEMENT

An employee shall be granted up to seven (7) days of leave with pay for a death in the employee's family, defined as spouse, domestic partner, children (including foster or stepchildren), parents (including stepparents), brother or sister (including stepbrother or stepsister), grandparents and grandchildren of either the employee or employee’s spouse or domestic partner, or other comparable significant relationships. In addition to paid bereavement leave, the employee may request approval to use reasonable amounts of paid sick leave, paid annual leave or unpaid leave in the event of a death in the family.

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SCOPE

This policy is applicable to all employees.

REASON FOR POLICY

To administer a policy which provides uniform guidelines to grant paid time off to employees for absences related to the death of immediate family members.

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ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Employee will notify the immediate supervisor, request the leave in accordance with the departmental procedures, and record the leave accordingly in PantherSoft.

Supervisor will approve the bereavement leave in a timely manner.

Payroll Administration will be available to answer any questions the employee/supervisor may have.

RELATED RESOURCES

N/A

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