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Overview

SKG Services supports equal opportunity in employment and is committed to complying with the intent of legislation through non-discriminatory employment practices. We aim to create a positive, equitable environment in which all employees are treated fairly, and can work without fear of discrimination or harassment.

SKG Services values and respects the diversity of our workforce and aim to provide an environment that enhances job satisfaction whilst encouraging the potential of each individual.

This policy applies to all employees working for SKG Services.

Equal Opportunity

Equal opportunity is actively promoted by:

- Creating an environment free of discrimination and harassment
- Providing clear and accountable policies and practices
- Developing and operating affirmative action programs to increase access and promote success in employment
- Providing awareness opportunities on equity issues
- Providing effective mechanisms to resolve complaints.

Equal Employment Opportunity

SKG Services endeavours to promote equal employment opportunity for their employees in all aspects of work activities. Equal employment opportunity results when the person best qualified is successful, without discrimination. This is achieved through processes which are open, transparent, competitive and based on merit.

SKG Services has a longstanding commitment to the elimination of unlawful direct and indirect discrimination and harassment on the basis of:

- Race, colour, descent, national or ethnic origin, ethno-religious background
- Sex
- Marital status
- Pregnancy or potential pregnancy
- Disability, (including physical, intellectual or other disability and illnesses such as HIV/AIDs) whether real or imputed, past, present or future disabilities
- Age
- Sexuality
- Transgender status
- Carers' responsibilities.

This policy relates to all aspects of employment, including recruitment and selection, promotion, job classification, staff development, supervision and interpersonal relationships.

SKG Services is committed to policies and programs ensuring that persons with equivalent skills and qualifications have an equal chance of obtaining a position and of advancing within the company.

Employees have the right to work in an environment that is safe, equitable, free from discrimination and harassment, and in which everyone is respected and treated fairly. Employees also have a responsibility to treat other workers fairly, with respect and without discrimination or harassment.

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Managers are required to implement equal opportunity in the workplace on a day-to-day basis, including:

- Taking active steps to prevent and eliminate discrimination and harassment
- Dealing fairly and equitably with complaints or grievances from employees
- Managing employees fairly, including consulting them about decisions that affect them
- Providing all employees with equitable access to development opportunities (e.g. training) to achieve their goals
- Conducting recruitment and selection processes fairly and in accordance with correct procedures.

Affirmative Action

Affirmative Action is a systematic approach to the identification and elimination of barriers encountered by target group members. It involves the development of specific programs in consultation with all employees.

The company recognises that certain groups of people are affected by past or continuing disadvantage or discrimination in employment. As a result, they may be more likely to be unemployed or working in lower paid jobs. These groups include women, indigenous Australians, members of racial, ethnic and ethno-religious minority groups, and people with a disability.

The company is committed to the development of affirmative action programs appropriate to our employee profile.

Responses to Discrimination or Harassment

Employees who believe that they have been subjected to discrimination or harassment should follow the Discrimination Complain Process

SKG Services commitment to equal employment opportunity is communicated through this policy to employees and subcontractors at induction and is displayed within the organisation as is practical.

This policy, as part of the integrated management system, is reviewed annually or earlier if necessary for continuing suitability.

Accountability for the IMS is the General Manager and responsibilities delegated to senior management throughout the organisation as documented.