MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYEE RELATIONS VDT WORKSTATION EVALUATIONS

Posture Evaluation

Back, Legs, and Feet

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Questions	Yes - No	Recommendations
1. Does the chair have the following features?		
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a) pneumatic height adjustment		
b) adjustable arms (vertically and horizontally)		
c) adjustable backrest (vertically and horizontally)		
d) 5 star base with casters		
e) padded seatpan with a waterfall edge		
2. Does the user know how to adjust their chair?		
3. When seated, the hips are slightly above knees, with feet firmly positioned on the floor or on a footrest?		
4. Is there 1-3 inches between the edge of the seat and the back of the knees?		
5. The lumbar support is positioned significantly below beltline?		
6. There is ample thigh, leg, and foot clearance?		

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Arms, Wrists and Hands

Questions	Yes ·	· No	Recommendations
1. The keyboard/mouse surface is adjustable?			
2. The keyboard and mouse are positioned at or slightly lower than elbow height?			
3. Wrists are in a neutral/straight position while keying and or mousing?			
4. Fingers are in a neutral position while keying and or mousing?			
5. Wrists are held off worksurface or wristrest while keying or mousing?			
6. Elbows are relaxed by side while keying and or mousing?			
7. Shoulders are relaxed while performing work tasks (keying , mousing, writing, reading)?			
8. The arms of the chair are adjusted to allow for relaxed shoulders?			
9. Keying force is low?			

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Arms, Wrists and Hands (continued)

Questions	Yes - No	Recommendations
10. Tools and equipment frequently used are within one arms reach and below shoulder height?		
11. Writing tools are held with a light grip?		
12. Palm, wrist, or forearm is not resting on sharp edge of worksurface while keying, mousing, or writing?		

Head, Neck, and Eves

Questions	Yes - No	Recommendations
1. Head and neck are positioned in a neutral position while viewing VDT.		
2. Top 1/4 of the VDT is positioned at or slightly lower than eye level? (If bifocals are used to view VDT, the top 1/4 of the VDT is significantly below eye level.)		
3. VDT is positioned directly in front of keyboard & user?		
4. VDT is clean and free of flicker?		

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Head, Neck, and Eves (continued)

Questions	Yes - No	Recommendations
5. VDT is positioned 25 to 36 inches from users eyes?		
6. VDT is free of glare?		
7. VDT is positioned perpendicular to outside light source?		
8. Brightness and contrast are adjusted appropriately?		
9. Display colors are appropriate?		
10. Light levels are appropriate for tasks?		
11. Document holder is appropriate for tasks?		
12. Hard copies are properly positioned and illuminated?		
13. Headset or speaker phone used if task appropriate?		
14. Eye exam in the last 1-2 years?		

Posture Evaluation

Head, Neck, and Eyes (continued)

Questions	Yes - No	Recommendations
15. Special eye correction used?		
a) bifocals		
b) trifocals		
c) computer vision correction		
16. Opportunity to rest eyes every 30 minutes?		
Job Task Organization		
Questions	Yes - No	Recommendations
1. Job tasks can be rotated throughout day?		
2. Stretching incorporated into daily routine?		
3. Breaks are utilized?		
4. Work space appropriate for tasks?		
5. Ample storage is available?		
Comments:		