

# FIVE STAR AGENCY ELEMENTS

#### 1. CUSTOMER FOCUS

Satisfying customers through meeting their requirements and value expectations is the primary task of every employee

#### 2. COMMUNICATIONS

Verbal and nonverbal communications throughout all parts of the Agency are two-way, clear, timely, consistent, and intentional.

### 3. MISSION/VISION/VALUES

Management establishes mission, vision and values for the Agency and leads the initiative to set direction and align everyone in pursuit of them.

#### 4. PLANNING/STRATEGY

Planning at all levels of the Agency keeps everyone focused on its vision, goals and strategies and provides a framework for achieving desired results.

#### 5. BUSINESS RESULTS

Financial and business improvement results meet objectives, show positive trends, and substantiate Agency success

#### 6. SELECTION

Employees are selected using criteria that promotes the needs and expectations of the Agency both in the short term and the long term.

## 7. DEVELOPMENT/PERFORMANCE METRICS

People are recognized as key strategic resources. Development opportunities are provided to assure that each employee understands, supports, and contributes to achieving agency success.

#### 8. INVOLVEMENT

All employees are involved in establishing and achieving initiatives for performance and improvement goals.

#### 9. MOTIVATION

Employees are motivated through trust, respect, recognition, and a work environment that is conducive to the well being and growth of all employees.

### 10. CARRIERS & PRODUCTS

Well chosen partnerships with carriers and other markets are key to providing excellent products and services.

#### 11. INFORMATION/PROCESS MANAGMENT

Required information is clear, accurate, timely, useful, accessible, and integrated with products, services, processes, and procedures.

#### 12. INTEGRATION/SYSTEM EFFICIENCY

Processes and the products and services created by them are jointly designed as an integrated system.

#### 13. BUSINESS ASSOCIATES

Contributions of business associates (vendors, partners, alliances, subcontractors, etc.) for business opportunities, products and services meet all requirements and add value to business results and performance improvements

### 14. SALES AND MARKETING

A defined sales and marketing approach is established and is being effectively utilized in creating sales and agency awareness

## 15. ACCOUNTABILITY

Accountability objectives, measures and indicators for Agency performance are established, reported, analyzed, and effectively used.

# 16. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Well chosen activities within the community to not only give back but also to establish your name and services as a premier business.

# 17. INNOVATION/CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

Innovation is planned and effectively utilized in developing, implementing and improving processes.