# **Gender Equity Audit**

Recommendations and Best Practices From Industry Leaders



Solutions to Advocate for		
Balance	and	Flexibility

- ☐ Clear role expectations  $\square$  Attainable performance goals
- ☐ Work-life balance encouraged
- ☐ Out of office/unplugging encouraged
- ☐ Strong culture of trust
- ☐ Flex work or hybrid policy exists
- ☐ Core hours/shift flexibility
- ☐ Compressed work week
- ☐ Part-time/reduced schedule

- ☐ Sabbaticals
- $\square$  Job shares
- ☐ Technology provided: cell phones, laptops
- ☐ Adequate coverage
- for a leader to vacation ☐ Bereavement time
- ☐ Personal days
- ☐ Banked leave / lieu days
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#### **Creating Inclusive Environments to Retain** and Develop BIPOC Women

- ☐ Training related to EDI (ie: anti-racism, implicit bias)
- ☐ Transparent EDI goals and measurements
- ☐ Joint committee for EDI or
- ☐ Organization partners with equity groups

inclusion

- $\square$  Open door policy and communication
- ☐ Inclusive hiring practices (ie: job descriptions reviewed for bias, panel interviews) ☐ Organization sponsors employees for PR ☐ Surveys or focus groups for BIPOC voices

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#### **Harassment Free Workplaces for Women**

- ☐ Health and Safety committee addresses harassment
- ☐ Harassment policy visible and understood
- $\square$  Management reinforces harassment free culture
- ☐ Customers ejected if harassing employees
- ☐ Anti-harassment training/workshops offered
- ☐ Training is continuous (annual/semi-annual)
- ☐ Clear reporting policy and process
- ☐ External, third party investigations
- ☐ Respectful workplace training offered
- ☐ Safety precautions /technology (ie: panic buttons)—/10

#### Learning On the Job and **Professional Development**

- $\square$  Funding for professional development
- ☐ Training to develop business acumen or organizational needs
- ☐ Leadership training
- ☐ Training conducted during the work day/week
- $\square$  Access and investment for
- conferences and seminars
- ☐ Employer shares free industry training resources
- ☐ Tuition reimbursement program

- $\square$  External trainers and speakers visit organization
- ☐ Mentorship programs
- ☐ Training for mentors
- ☐ Job shadowing
- ☐ Cross-training ☐ Promotion
- opportunities

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☐ Paid day(s) off for learning

## Solutions to Retain Women in Leadership

- ☐ Transparent salary bands/ranges
- ☐ Flexible maternity leave/ phased return
- ☐ Employee Assistance Program
- ☐ Women in senior leadership roles amplified and celebrated
- ☐ Women in leadership events/workshops

- $\square$  Inclusion is referenced in mission, vision, values
- ☐ Clear career paths
- ☐ Ownership of projects
- ☐ Goal setting meetings
- ☐ Development
- opportunities
- ☐ Sponsors within organization
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## Other Rewards, **Compensation and Benefits**

- ☐ Support for childcare, elder care
- ☐ Health care spending accounts
- ☐ Flexible benefit options
- ☐ Work effort is reflected with accurate titles and equal pay
- ☐ Mental health benefits
- ☐ Recognition programs

Final Score \_\_/ 65



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# Actions I can take to advocate for gender equity