

## Reasonable Accommodation For Disabilities

## Sample Process Steps

1.	Employee notifies Employer that a work-related adjustment is needed
	for a reason related to a medical condition.

- 2. Employee completes a Reasonable Accommodation Request form and gives to Employer.
  - Although requests do not have to be in writing, Employees are encouraged to complete a form to provide clear communication to Employer.
- 3. Employer reviews the request and determines whether supporting medical documentation is needed. If disability is obvious, documentation is not needed.

If not needed, proceeds to Step 6.

If supporting documentation is needed, provides a Medical Release form to be signed by employee to give to healthcare provider, permitting the release of information about the employee's medical condition.

If documentation is needed, also provides employee with a Medical Inquiry form to be completed by the attending healthcare provider for information about the impairment(s) for which the employee is requesting accommodation.

(Optional) May also attach job information to the inquiry to assist the healthcare provider in reviewing the job functions.

- 4. Employee obtains medical documentation from healthcare provider.
- 5. Employee submits the completed Medical Inquiry form to Employer.
- 6. Employer facilitates interactive discussion with the Employee to determine available reasonable accommodation.
  - May use <u>www.Askjan.org</u> as an excellent source for solutions for accommodation.
- 7. Employer communicates accommodation determination to the Employee.
  - Facilitates and implements accommodation.
    - Documents interactive process (review) and action taken (or not taken).
    - Maintains medical and accommodation records separate from personnel files and in accordance with Employer's practice.
- 8. Employee provides feedback to the Employer on the effectiveness of approved accommodation.