Remote Work Policy

The Minnesota Alliance on Crime (MAC) considers remote work (e.g., at home or another appropriate location) to be a voluntary, viable alternative work arrangement in cases when the employee and their job are suited to it. MAC has complete discretion in approving employees working remotely arrangements.

All remote work arrangements are made on a case-by-case basis. To be eligible for remote work, an employee must demonstrate a consistent ability to complete their work with minimal supervision and have the prior approval of their supervisor. The employee’s performance must continue to meet or exceed performance standards in addition to the remote work policy standards.

- Either an employee or a supervisor can suggest remote work as a work arrangement.
- Such arrangements may be discontinued at any time at the request of MAC or employee.
- The employee and the supervisor will determine, based on the schedule of meetings and other obligations, the remote work schedule. The employee will indicate their working remotely days on their calendar.
- Employees working remotely should check in with their supervisor regarding expectation for attendance at all assigned office meetings related to the performance of their job, including those which would be held on a remote work. For meetings with stakeholders, the expectation is that meetings will be held face-to-face.
- MAC will not be responsible for costs associated with remote work. However, MAC will provide each employee with a laptop they may choose to use when working remotely.
- The off-site work location must have access to email, telephone, internet, and computer(s).
- The employee must learn to access the MAC Dropbox account from remote locations.
- The employee must check email and phone messages and return phone calls promptly during normal business hours just as they do in the office. If the employee is unable to do so because the goal is to focus on projects or attend a professional development training, the employee should note that information on their email and voicemail.
- Supervisors must ensure proper compliance and documentation of work hours.
- The employee must ensure that all agency materials and information (including phone conversations) remain private and confidential.
- The employee and supervisor will have a clear agreement on the scope of work and the expected work product to be done while working remotely. The supervisor will review the work product as necessary.

Working remotely is not intended to be used in place of vacation, sick, parental, or other types of leave.

Emergencies such as severe weather, fires, flooding, severe winter weather, power failures, earthquakes, or national, state, or local emergencies can disrupt company operations. In extreme cases, these circumstances may require the closing of a work facility and staff will be authorized to work remotely.

Remote work does not change the conditions of employment or required compliance with MAC’s policies and procedures. The employee will continue to comply with all provisions of the MAC Operations Manual while working at the alternate work location.

An employee’s compensation and benefits will not change as a result of working remotely. The employee is covered under the Workers’ Compensation Law if injured in the course of performing official duties at the remote location.

Employee Signature:__________________________     Date:____________________________