# Overview Affirmative Action Program



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# Learning ObjectivesAAPEEO

To understand AAP and its impact

To understand AAP Legal and regulatory requirements To understand the likeness and difference between EEO and AAP

## A Basic Business Decision

"Do you want to do business with the U.S. Federal Government?" □ "Do you wish to have revenue from doing business with the U.S. Federal government?"



#### A Basic Business Decision

"No"
 Not required

to have a written Affirmative Action Plan.

"Yes" **Required** to have a written Affirmative Action Plan.

# Affirmative Action Plan

Federal Contractual obligation to affirm responsibility of EEO Laws.



## Federal Contractors Obligations: Written AAP

- 1. Executive Order 11246 Opportunity for Women and Minorities
- 2. Rehabilitation Act of 1973 -Opportunity for Individuals with Disabilities
- 3. Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974 - Opportunity for protected veterans.

# Threshold

#### Construction

- Federal contracts over \$10,000
- A federally assisted construction contract or subcontract over \$10,000
- Multiple federal contracts totaling \$10,000

- Non Construction (Service or Supply)
  - Federal Contractors or Subcontractors
  - \$50,000 or more
  - 50 or more employees
  - Multiple bills of lading totaling \$50,000 or more

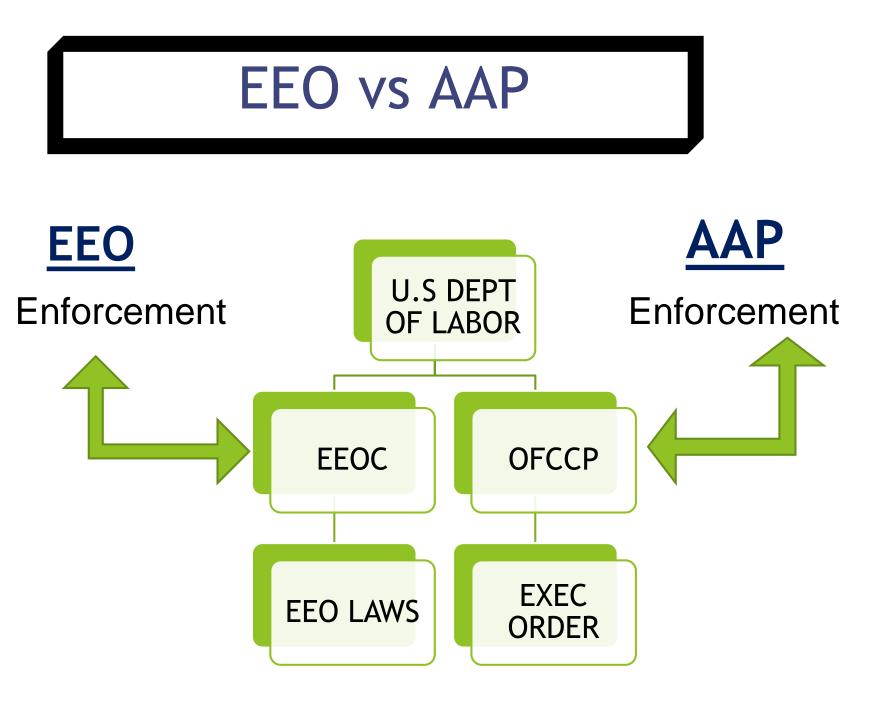
## Written Affirmative Action Plan



# Foundations of Affirmative Action



# Equal Employment Opportunity Laws



# EEO vs AAP

## EEO

## It's the Law!

**Enforcement Agency:** 

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

**(EEOC)** Federal Court Judge AAP

#### Contractual Mandate!

**Enforcement Agency:** 

Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs

(OFCCP) Administrative Law Judge

## EEO vs AAP

#### EEO: Reactive

Companies must refrain from making any employment or personnel decisions on the basis of race, age, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or veteran status.

#### AAP: Proactive

Companies are required to engage in specific activities to ensure that protected groups have the opportunity to be hired, advanced in employment, and compensated equally.

#### EEO vs AAP

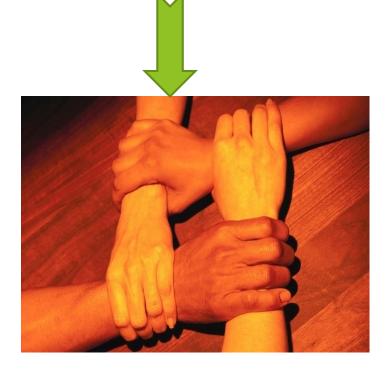
#### <u>EEO</u>

EEOC conducts an investigation when a discrimination complaint is filed. OFCCP conducts a compliance review, whether or not a discrimination complaint is filed.

AAP

**EEO** Any qualified applicant should have access to the candidate pool.

<u>AAP</u> Require <u>outreach</u> and <u>recruiting</u> to assure minorities and women, disabled and veterans are represented in the candidate pool







# EEO & AAP SAME MISSION





## **Obligations of Federal Contractors**

Companies reaffirm AAP/EEO commitment to provide equal opportunity..... for employment or advancement in employment, without regard to an individual's race, color, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability or veteran status.

# It's Everyone's Responsibility

- GENERAL MANAGER Overall Responsibility for EEO / AAP
- ASS'T MANAGERS Development & Implementation AAP
- HUMAN RESOURCES / EEO & AAP Officer -Ensure Compliance of EEP & AAP
- MANAGERS & SUERVISORS- EEO / AAP Liaison and Compliance
- STAFF Ensure Environment is free of harassment and discrimination

## AAP ..... Two-Fold

- 1. A Plan
- Why AAP?
- What should the plan entail?
- Your role and responsibility

#### 2. An Audit

- Who administers it?
- OFCCP
- What happens when you are audited?

## Components of the AAP Plan

# Narrative Component

- AAP for Minorities & Women
- AAP for Individuals w/Disabilities
- AAP for Qualifies Veterans

## Statistical Component

- Trend Analysis of the workforce
  - Internal
  - External

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## 3 Pillars AAP Statistics Component

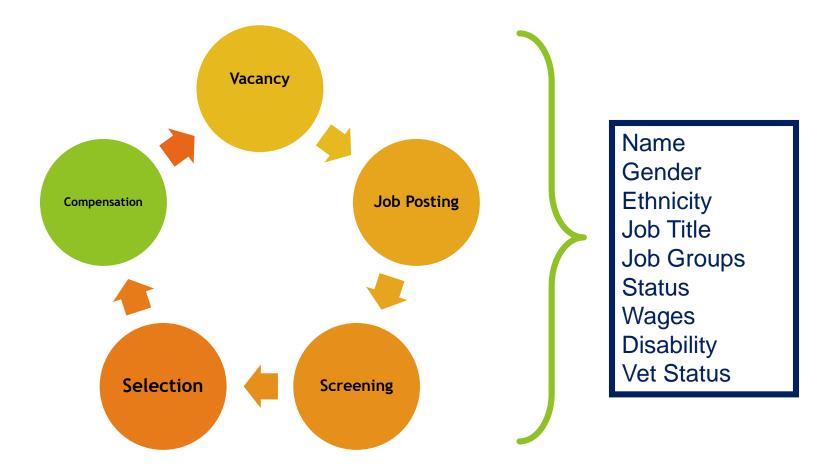
- Utilization Analysis Analyses your company representation of women and minorities compared to the population.
- Impact Ratio Analysis -Determines if your hiring, promotions or terminations are adverse.
- Compensation Analysis -Identifies pay differences that are not legitimate or job-related

## **STATISTICAL COMPONENT**

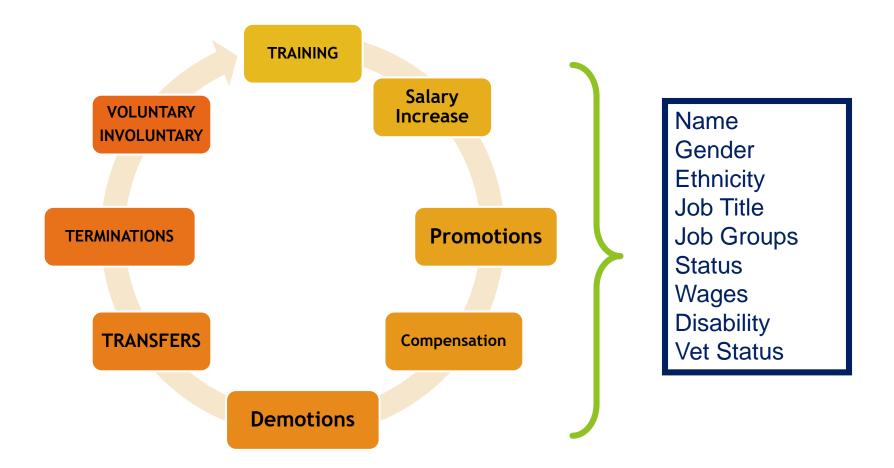
#### THE AAP PLAN

1.Track 2.Measure 3.Plan 4.Implement 5.Develop

#### Track for trend analysis: All Stages of the employment life cycle RECRUITING & ONBOARDING



#### Track for trend analysis All Stages of the employee life cycle ALL PERSONNEL ACTIONS



## Tracking and Recordkeeping

- Postings
- Applicants
- New Hires
- Employees Status, wages, hrs
- Promotions
- Demotions
- Transfers
- Separations
- Compensation
- Self-identified Vets
- Self-identified Disability

Name Gender Ethnicity Job Title Job Groups Status Wages Disability Vet Status

## Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act AAP for Individuals with Disabilities

- Utilization Goal (7% of your workforce)
- Data Collection
- Invitation to Self Identify
- Incorporation of the EO Clause
- Records Access



## Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act

- Hiring Benchmark (6.4%)
- Invite Self Identification -
  - Applicant Pre-offer
  - Post Offer
  - Before employee starts working
- Data Collection
- EO Clause
- Job Listings and Outreach
- Assess effectiveness of Outreach efforts

#### Annual VEVRAA Benchmark Effective Dates

Percentage*	Effective Date**	
	From	То
6.4	03/31/2018	
6.7	03/31/2017	03/30/2018
6.9	03/04/2016	03/30/2017
7	04/21/2015	03/03/2016
7.2	03/24/2014	04/20/2015

## The OFCCP Audit

- Scheduling Letter
- Itemized List
- Submit their AAPs and support data
- 30 days of receipt of the Letter.

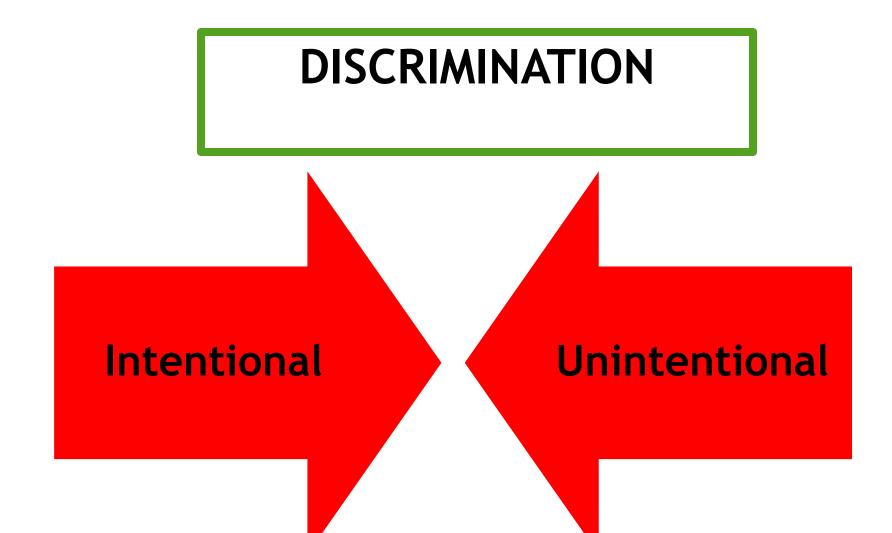


#### **Compliance Review**



#### It is a comprehensive analysis:

- Written affirmative action program (AAP)
- Hiring and employment practices
- Results of the affirmative action outreach efforts



## Discrimination Likely to Occur:

- Hiring and firing
- Compensation, assignment, or classification of employees
- Transfer, promotion, hrs., layoff, or recall
- Job advertisements, recruitment & testing
- Use of company facilities
- Training and apprenticeship programs
- Fringe benefits, pay, retirement plans, and disability leave
- Other terms and conditions of employment.

## **Types of Discrimination**

#### Age

- Disability
- Equality
- National Origin
- Pregnancy
- Race/Color
- Religion

#### Sex

- Sexual Orientation
- Sexual Identity
- Gender
- Sexual Harassment
- Retaliation
- Veteran Status
- Genetic Information

## **Guidelines on Employment Selection**

- Work Experience
- Length of Service
- Performance Evaluation
- Educational Background
- Individual Skills
- Demonstration of Skills / Abilities
- Attendance / Punctuality
- Personal Conduct Record
- Training History
- Other Job related facts



