Return to Work Interview

This Return to Work Interview Form is designed as a guide for the line manager when meeting with employees on their return to work from sickness absence. The meeting should be formal, polite and relaxed with the manager encouraging discussion; listening as much as talking.

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| **Employee Name:** |  |
| **Post:** |  |
| **Department:** |  |
| **Date of discussion:** |  |
| **Person conducting interview** |  |

**Section 1: Absence Details**

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| 1. Date of absence
 | From: | To: |
| 1. Date of return to work
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| 1. Did the employee follow the correct absence reporting procedure?

(if no why not) |  |
| 1. If absence if more than 7 days has a Doctor’s note been received
 | Yes: [ ]  | No: [ ]  |
| 1. What was the reason for absence given in initial phone call?
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| 1. Dates of absence in last rolling 12 month period
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| **Section 2: The interview** |
| 1. How are you now?
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| 1. Are you able to carry out your normal hours and duties?
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| 1. What was the cause of your absence?
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| 1. Was the absence related to an accident at work?
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| 1. Was an accident or incident report form completed (if not why not)
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| 1. Did you consult a Doctor or other medical practitioner? (please give details of when)
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| 1. Are you on any medication which may affect your performance?
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| 1. If yes what effect could this have (positive or negatively)
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| 1. Do you require any additional support?
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| 1. Are there any issues which the employee wishes to raise following their recent absence?
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| 1. Managers should give an update to employee on issues affecting department during absence e.g. change of work/staff positions
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| **Section 3: Next steps** |
| 1. Is a follow up Doctor’s/consultants appointment required if so please give details
 | Yes | [ ]  | No | [ ]  |
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| 1. Does a referral to Occupational Health need to be made?**\***
 | Yes | [ ]  | No | [ ]  |