

For mental health, education and potential realisation

Internal Document - Confidential Candidate – Reference Check Questionnaire

Name of Candidate:
Advertised Position:
Date of Reference:
Name of Referee:
Organization:

1. Please describe your working relationship with [insert name of candidate]?

- 2. How long ago did you work with the candidate?
- 3. What are the candidate's **strengths**? (this may be picked up in the next questions as well but good to know the first attribute the referee presents)
- 4. How **planful** is the candidate? (this will have implications for task completion; ability to work within tight timelines)
- 5. Is the candidate **persistent**? (For example, if one aspect of a task has tedious routines or needs a lot of negotiating, does the candidate have the work attitude to continue with the same degree of engagement throughout?)
- 6. Is the candidate an **independent** worker? (This is essential.)

- 7. Is the candidate **discerning of quality**? (in the case of this appointment, is the candidate discerning of what is a quality lesson plan; requires theoretical knowledge as well as practical knowledge)
- 8. In your assessment, which **area of mentoring** would support the career growth of this candidate?
- 9. Please describe the relationships this candidate has had with peers. This would include interpersonal skills, leadership potential and capabilities for working with a team.
- 10. Is the candidate knowledgeable about culture and indigenous ways of living?

Conduct and Ethics (For Line Manager and HR Reference Check)

- **1.** How do you know the candidate?
- 2. For how long have you known the candidate?
- **3.** Do you have any suspicions that the candidate violated your organization's Code of Conduct, including sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment in the workplace?
- **4.** For roles with direct interaction with groups at high risk of SEA; would you consider the candidate suitable to work with children and / or vulnerable adults?
- 5. Hypothetically, would you like to employ or work with the candidate again? Why or why not?

Note: Completed reference check should be emailed to the Director, The Promise Foundation: promise@thepromisefoundation.org