Policy Review Checklist

CHECKLIST

Keep the policy short and succinct if at all possible.
Does the policy accurately state the current practices?
Are terms in the policy adequately defined?
Is your use of terminology consistent across policies?
If two policies are interrelated, is it clear when each policy will apply?
Is it clear to whom the policy applies?
Check related policies to ensure your policy is not in conflict with another university policy.
Has the law in this area changed? Check with General Counsel if questions on whether or not the law has changed.
Internal administrative procedures should generally not be part of the policy document. Administrative procedures should be contained in regulations or operating procedures.
Discuss major changes to your policy with other stakeholders prior to proposing major changes.
Check contact information, job titles, emails, and web links to ensure they are current.
Use 'Track Changes' or bold for text that is added and use strikeout for text that is eliminated so that proposed changes are apparent.
If a policy is no longer relevant, suggest elimination of the policy, stating reasons why the policy is no longer relevant.