

## Developing Leadership Competencies

## 3. CREATIVITY-continued



impact on the work unit.

- Hold brainstorming sessions with your team or others whenever possible in order to hear and help generate numerous ideas or solutions.
- Examine currently accepted practices and identify ways of improving the efficiency of these processes. Look beyond traditional methods and try to identify some new, creative solutions.
- Consistently communicate your support for creativity to your employees. Ask them to describe the actions that they have taken to foster creativity in others. Include this as a measure when evaluating their performance.

## **Public Service Courses**

- · Career and Learning Decisons for Better Results
  - Taking Charge (CCMD)

## **Books**

- Generating Creativity and Innovation in Large Bureaucracies, Robert L. Kuhn (Quorum Books, 1993)
- A Whack on the Side of the Head, Roger von Oech (Warner Books, 1993)
- The Inventive Organization: Hope and Daring at Work, Jill Janov (Jossey-Bass, 1994)
- The Manager's Pocket Guide to Creativity, Alexander Hiam (HRD Press, 1998)
- Take the Road to Creativity and Get Off Your Dead End, David P. Campbell (Centre for Creative Leadership, 1997)
- Weird Ideas That Work: 11 1/2 Practices for Promoting, Managing, and Sustaining Innovation, Robert I. Sutton (Free Press, 2001)