CHECKLIST | HIRING OUT-OF-STATE EMPLOYEES

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While hiring out-of-state employees gives your organization access to a wider pool of talent, it also requires complying with state and local requirements that may be unfamiliar. In general, the state and local laws that govern an employment relationship are based on where the employee is physically working and earning wages, not where the employer is based. In addition to wage and hour laws, other items that employers may need to consider include workers' compensation insurance, unemployment insurance and tax obligations.

This checklist outlines key items for employers to consider when hiring out-of-state employees.

Basic Information				
State				
Locality				
Business Registration and Tax Requirements		Complete	Not Applicable	
Register your company to do business in the state				
Consult with tax advisors regarding the nexus for corporate income tax and sales/use taxes		d		
Designate a registered agent				
Obtain licenses or permits to operate in the state (depending on the type of business)				
Register for state payroll taxes (obtain a state tax ID and register for unemployment insurance)				
Comply with any local tax requirements				
	Hiring Process process for compliance with applicable state and pus, including requirements regarding:	Complete	Not Applicable	
Discrimination protections				
Background checks				
Credit checks				

Hiring Process (continued)	Complete	Not Applicable
Interview recording protections (e.g., phone or video)		
Criminal history		
Child labor laws		
Pay history		
New hire reporting		
Use of E-Verify for Form I-9		

Employment Requirements Review state and local employment laws, including laws regarding:	Complete	Not Applicable
Workplace notices and posters		
Leave laws, including sick leave, parental leave and voting leave		
Expense reimbursement		
Pay transparency		
Drug testing		
Workers' compensation		
Wage deduction and garnishment		
Minimum wage and overtime requirements		
Meal periods and rest breaks		
Pay frequency		
Final paycheck		

Use this checklist as a guide when hiring employees who reside in different states. For assistance with remote work planning, contact ToughComp.