

# TAX INTERVIEW CHECKLIST

Before preparation of your tax return you should use this checklist to help you get organized.

# PERSONAL INFORMATION

- \_\_\_\_Taxpayer Social Security card
- \_\_\_\_Spouse Social Security card
- \_\_\_\_Social Security cards for any dependents
- \_\_\_\_Taxpayer valid ID (Driver's License)
- Bank information or voided check for refund direct deposit
- Copy of last year's tax return (new clients only)

### **INCOME INFORMATION**

- \_\_\_\_Wage statements/ W-2s
- \_\_\_\_Self-employment business income and expenses/1099-MISC
- \_\_\_\_Unemployment income/1099-G
- \_\_\_\_Commissions received/paid
- \_\_\_\_Pension, retirement income/ 1099-R
- \_\_\_Cancelled Debt Amount/1099-C
- \_\_\_\_Social Security income / SSA-1099
- \_\_\_IRA Contributions
- \_\_\_\_Statements on the sales of stocks or bonds/ 1099-B
- \_\_\_\_Interest and dividend income/1099-INT/1099-DIV
- \_\_\_\_Lottery or gambling winning/losses
- \_\_\_\_State refund amount/1099-G
- \_\_\_\_Rental property income and expenses
- \_\_\_\_Alimony received
- \_\_\_\_Record of sale of residence

# **INCOME ADJUSTMENTS**

- \_\_\_\_Real estate and personal property taxes
- \_\_\_\_State or local taxes paid
- \_\_\_\_Estimated taxes of foreign taxes paid
- \_\_\_\_Cash and non-cash charitable donations
- \_\_\_\_Job-related educational expenses
- \_\_\_\_For teachers: Educator expenses
- \_\_\_\_Tuition and Education Fees/1098-T
- \_\_\_\_Student loan interest / 1098-E
- Self-employed health insurance payment records
  - \_Moving expenses
  - \_\_ Alimony paid

### **CREDITS AND DEDUCTIONS**

- \_\_Child care expenses and provider
- information
- \_\_Education cost: Form 1098-T, education expenses
- \_\_\_Adoption costs
- \_\_\_\_Mortgage or home equity loan interest paid/1098
- \_\_\_\_Medical and dental expenses
- \_\_\_Casualty or theft losses
- \_\_\_Unreimbursed employment-related
- expenses (uniform, supplies, travel, etc)
- \_\_\_Home Business/Office expenses
- \_\_\_\_Rental property expenses
- \_\_\_\_Record of purchase of residence