Creating an Environment Where Positive Relationships Thrive



Objectives

- Define positive relationships and why they are important at work.
- Discuss ways to deal with team conflict and manage difficult feelings in the workplace.
- Identify how to handle difficult or uncivil customers/clients.

Defining a good relationship

There are lots of different positive relationships, but workplace positive relationships will all have certain things in common

- Trust
- Respect
- Self-awareness
- Inclusion
- Open communication

Why are positive relationships in the workplace so important

- Morale
- Productivity
- Freedom
- Opportunities

Which relationships are most important

- Relationships between bosses and employees
- Key stakeholder's
- 1. Your team
- 2. Suppliers
- 3. Customers

Managing conflict on your team

- Open door policy
- Determine the severity of the situation
- Encourage employees to work out amongst themselves

Managing conflict on your team continued

- Take action when necessary
- Listen to all parties involved
- Document the incident if necessary
- Get insight from your internal policies
- Create a comprehensive solution

When to get HR or other outside help involved

- Staff are threatening to quit
- Morale is being affected
- Disagreements are getting personal or disrespectful
- Work flow is being interrupted
- Company's success is threatened

Dealing with incivility outside of your organization

- Don't encourage employees to reciprocate
- Help employees avoid submissive and inauthentic reactions
- Remind employees they are not the direct cause of the incivility
- Encourage employees not to take it personally
- See customer incivility as a challenge to promote personal and professional growth
- Provide employees with resources and tools to problem solve and go above and beyond

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