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# **Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Training HANDOUT**

## **Topic: Conflict Identification, Management, and Resolution**

#### Conflict

> Differing positions, without immediate solution(s), emotions are present, perceptions often negative

### Conflict Identification

- > Causes: [Examples] Misunderstandings, Perceptions, Values, Prejudice, Diversity, Values, etc.
- Signals: [Examples] Distance, Provocation, Defensive, Avoidance, Silence, Isolation, Ignoring, etc.

## Conflict Management

- > Active Listening: Be Present, Understanding, Don't Rush, Don't Interrupt
- > Be Reflective: Summarize while focusing on the other and include facts and feelings
- > Respectful Communication: Flexible with focus on ability to successfully create, foster, and improve relationships (cross-cultural base)
- Styles and [Outcomes] Accommodating [Lose Win], Avoiding [Lose Lose], Collaborating [Win Win], Competing [Win Lose], Compromising [Lose Lose]

#### Conflict Resolution

- Benefits: Prevents violence or escalations of problems (difficult situations), disagreements (different perspectives), or conflicts (different positions)
- Forward Approach (Best Practices) BE P.E.R.F.E.C.T.
  - > Patient, Empathetic, Respectful, Friendly, Engaged, Collaborating, Transparent