#### COACHING

#### Coaching is...

- In general, helping someone else expand and apply his or her skills, knowledge, and abilities.
- For this program, coaching is defined as helping others succeed through guiding, teaching, and motivating on a short term basis.

#### Good Coaching...

- Transfers knowledge on a "just-intime" basis.
- Disperses expertise throughout an organization.
- Increases individual motivation and morale.
- Helps individuals and organizations achieve outstanding results.
- Have you ever had a good coach?
  What was it like?

#### **Bad Coaching...**

- Wastes the time of valuable resources.
- Creates a hostile work environment.
- Creates sub-optimal organizations and ineffective individuals.
- Have you ever had a bad coach?
  What was it like?

#### **Outcomes**

- What are the desired outcomes of the coaching engagement?
- How does the coach define "success?"
- How does the person being coached define "success?"

#### Roles

- What is the coach's responsibility?
- What is the responsibility of the person being coached?
- Are there any other stakeholders in the coaching process?
- What are the responsibilities of those stakeholders?

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# Listening for Understanding

### **Keys to Effective Listening**

- Focus Paying complete attention to the speaker and the message he or she is trying to convey.
- Feedback Actively engaging the speaker through encouraging words and gestures, clarifying questions, and summarizing key points.
- Filtering Creating personal meaning from the speaker's comments. Putting the speaker's comments in context with your own experiences, knowledge, and perceptions.

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# **Building Trust and Rapport**

# **Two Aspects of Trust**

- Trust in another's motivation
  - Do their intentions align with yours?
- Trust in another's competence
  - Do they have the ability to carry out those intentions?

#### **Context of Trust**

- Trust is most easily established when the boundaries of that trust are clearly defined.
  - -Who?
  - Regarding what responsibility?
  - -For how long?
- Trust helps build healthy relationships when the trustor and trustee share a common understanding of the boundaries.

# **Building Trust**

- Trust begets trust
  - If you show trust in someone else, they are more likely to trust you in return.
- Self-disclosure
  - Judiciously disclosing personal or private information demonstrates trust.
- Make eye contact
  - The eyes have been called the "window to the soul."

### **Building Trust**

- Honor the other's skills and accomplishments
  - But, push for change if appropriate
- Common self-interests
  - Most people trust others to pursue their own self-interests.
  - Build trust by showing how your selfinterest aligns with the other person's self-interest.

# **Building Rapport**

- People are more alike than different
- Relationships are strengthened when we focus on similarities
- Avoid tendency to focus on disagreements.
- Key: Focus on something you respect in the other person

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#### Coach as Motivator

#### **Motivator's Role**

- Help the person you are coaching see the bridge between:
  - What they value and desire and...
  - The task or role for which they are responsible
- Encourage belief in their ability to be successful.
- Align their level of confidence with their abilities.

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#### Effective Feedback

# A Model for Giving Feedback

- Situation
- Behavior
- Impact

#### Situation

- Start by identifying the situation.
- Where did the behavior take place?
- When did the behavior take place?
- What else was going on when the behavior took place?
- "During the feedback exercise when we were making a decision on..."

#### **Behavior**

- Feedback should always describe behavior, not voice a conclusion.
- "You said my idea would not work" or "You smiled at me and made eye contact."
- Not, "You are arrogant," or "You are a nice person."

#### **Impact**

- Describe how the behavior affected you or how you perceive it affected others.
- "That caused me to withdraw from the conversation."
- "It made me feel comfortable with the group."

# Feedback Should Always be Well Intentioned

- Effective feedback is meant to help the recipient. It's a gift.
- Don't give "feedback" because you want to "get something off of your chest."
- Feedback will not fix what you believe is wrong with another person.

### **Avoid Judging Behavior**

- Don't use terms such as "good" or "bad."
- The receiver decides the value of the impact of their behavior for themselves.
- Judging the impact of the receiver's behavior often decreases the receiver's willingness to listen.

# Distinguish Feedback From "I Want" Statements.

- If you want something, ask for it.
- Say, "I want you to approve my project," rather than "You're holding up my project."
- Avoid passive-aggressive behavior.

### **Expect Feedback in Return**

- Feedback begets feedback.
- Be a good feedback recipient. Listen and ask clarifying questions, but don't defend or justify behaviors.
- Remember that everyone has a right to their own perceptions.