Leading and Engaging a Diverse Workforce



Goals of this module



What do these words mean to you?



DE&I Core definitions

Diversity

... the categories of identity that inform our unique experiences, backgrounds, and self-understanding – including, but not limited to different:

ethnicities, races, religions, genders, gender identifications, sexual orientations. physical abilities, ages, educations, social classes, veteran status, and beyond.

Equity

...is creating fairness by providing people with individualized resources, treatment, and support to compensate for differences between individuals.

It acknowledges the privilege afforded to certain individuals in an attempt to level the playing field.

Inclusion

...is feeling like you **belong.**Inclusion facilitates connections and cultivates behaviors that allow all members of a community to feel **respected** and appreciated.

In an inclusive work environment, employees of all backgrounds feel comfortable being themselves at work and feel they can succeed..

Why focus now?

- Widening divide across racial, gender, religious, socioeconomic status and gender identity lines
- Workplace is microcosm of larger society
- Each person is uniquely affected through the lens of their particular identity and what's happening outside the company



Diversity boosts the bottom line

Sources:

1 80+ Diversity in the Workplace Statistics you should know, Bailer Reiners
2. McKinsey & Co Analysis, Delivering

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Companies that hire and support more individuals with diverse abilities have achieved 28% higher revenue, 30% higher profit margins than peers ¹

More compelling stats:







While organizations may be paying more attention than ever to **DIVERSITY** as a means of improving performance and innovation...

fostering
INCLUSION,
participation, a
sense of belonging
and mutual
respect is a critical
part of the
equation.

Diversity and inclusion boost innovation

- 1.7 times more innovative ¹
- Multiple voices, experiences and perspectives lead to...
 - new ideas, new services, and new products
 - better understanding, access and new ways to engage customers
 - differentiation from competition

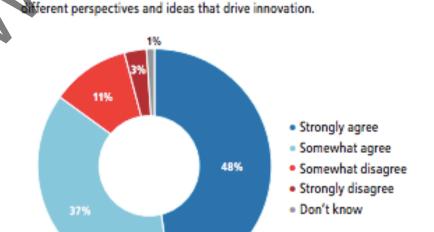


FIGURE 1: A diverse and inclusive workforce is crucial to encouraging

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Diversity is being invited to dance

Inclusion is being asked to dance



