Workplace
Bullying, is it Just
Another Form of
Microaggression?

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Objectives:

Workplace bullying vs. microaggression

 To explore strategies to combat workplace bullying or microaggression by other employees

 To explore strategies to combat workplace bullying or microaggressions by managers



Actively attempting to control a person by intimidation and aggression. It is harassment or negative behavior directed towards an individual or group.

Workplace Bullying - YouTube

Workplace Bullying

Screaming to Intimidate

Constant Criticism

Gossiping

Withholding Resources

Excessive workload

Unreasonable Expectations.

Practical Steps to Stop Workplace Bullying

Speak up

 They may deny bullying – Don't lose your cool

Look up policy on workplace bullying

Write things down

• Place, time, what occurred and if there was a witness.

Report to the appropriate person





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Have you ever been bullied at work?

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Are you still employed there?



Refers to subtle, indirect or unintentional acts of discrimination or bias that can occur in daily interactions between individuals with different backgrounds, identities, or cultures that cause discomfort.

<u>Microaggressions in the Workplace - YouTube</u>



Examples

- 1) Racial
- 2) Gender
- 3) LGBTQ
- 4) Disability/Ableism
- 5) Religious
- 6) Age-related

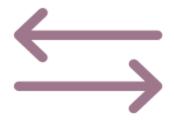
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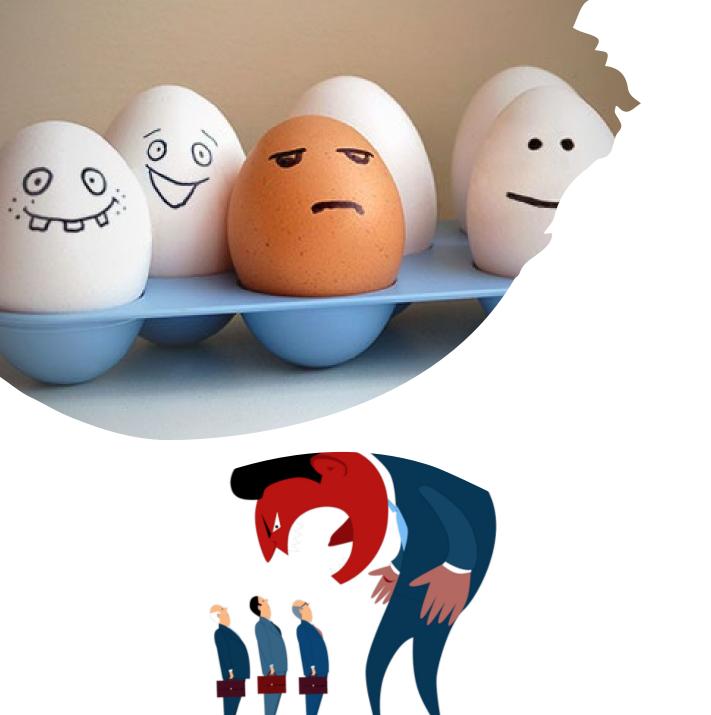
Do you talk differently at work to fit in?



Are you being your unauthentic self?



Is it necessary for your survival to talk and act a certain way?



Bullying vs Microaggression

https://youtu.be/GZVxB7gOB4o

What Can You Do?

- Microaggressions
 - Realize it's not always up to you to educate people
 - Deal with it right away
 - Be respectful You want the person to Realize the behavior or words hurt
 - If it's a co-worker you consider a friend or supervisor
 - Talk to Human Resources
 - If it's a group of people suggest Diversity and Inclusion training



Nearly 1 in 2 workers have experienced sexual harassment and violence in the last two years.

Women, trans, nonbinary, and genderdiverse workers are experiencing higher rates of harassment and violence.

Overall, 19% of women and 13% of men reported that they had experienced harassment in their workplace in the past year.

Workplace harassment includes verbal abuse, humiliating behavior, threats to persons, physical violence, and unwanted sexual attention or sexual harassment.

If you are neutral in situations of injustice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor. If an elephant has its foot on the tail of a mouse, and you say that you are neutral, the mouse will not appreciate your neutrality.

-Desmond Tutu

Thank you

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