How We Think?

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What is Resilience? Resilience: Our ability to effectively prepare for, navigate successfully and bounce forward from challenging and stressful events in such a way as we are strengthened by the **Bounce Forward** experience. Preparation and Hardiness

Event	Stress <u>Management</u>	Stress Resilience
What is stress?	Avoid at all costs	You grow with events that are difficult
How to deal with stress?	Cope as best you can and then collapse	Prepare, Navigate, & Recover
How do you recognize stress?	Physical symptoms alert you that you are stressed	You know stressful events are coming & you build hardiness
What are the team & organizational strategies?	No way to deal with it in the workplace	Engage team members in frank discussion about workplace pressures and how to support the mission and each other

Tools to Build Long Term Resilience

Preparation and

- "The Fitness Five"
- Optimistic Orientation
- Three "Cs"
 - Commitment
 - Control
 - Challenge

- Be Present
- Manage Energy and Not Time
- Build Body Wisdom

Bounce Forward

- Rest is Part of the Journey
- Find the Right People
- Innovate





- Stop Self-Limiting Messages
- Take on Challenges

learnings all around them.

- Incrementality Leads to Mastery
- Model Others and Ask for Feedback



2. The Relaxation Response:

Your Vagus Nerve invokes your sense of calm that relieves your stress response.

- Sing in the Shower
- Breathe
- Mindfulness Practices
- Laugh



3. The Way We Think:

Cognitive biases are short cuts our brain takes to quickly solve problems. They usually work well but not always.

Confirmation Bias:

Tendency to interpret information in such a way as to seek agreement with preexisting beliefs or ideas.

Self-Serving Bias: Tendency to claim more responsibility for success than failures

Applications of Resilience At Your Workplace

Change Management Workload Management Failure Management Personal Issue o Team working at night and on weekends o People blame others o New initiatives demand new thinking o "Stressed Out" o Unsure of priorities o Low standards are accepted o Change in personnel or management o Not effective in your role o Not getting things done on time o Team does not learn from failure o You don't personally handle o Unhappy o Unsure of priorities and how to use • We don't learn from failure change well o Tired your time and energy Accountability is lacking o Understand nature of failures at work o Evaluate and Validate Causes: o Build your 3 Cs o Change how you manage time o Clarify the urgent vs. the important o Add a failure management system Create a Plan o Know where you are on the Change o Pick a Resilience Continuum tool to Curve and what you can do about it **Thinking Opportunities: Thinking Opportunities:** focus on improving • Fundamental Attributive Error: • Planning Fallacy: We always **Thinking Opportunities:** Thinking Opportunities: Anchoring: Create a new think we can get more done than Don't blame someone else, consider • Negativity Bias: Don't succumb to framework for how you want to work we can; give yourself more time. a careful analysis of what negative thinking. Focus on what is in the future and forget about the • Information Bias: You'll never worked/didn't work. • Overconfidence Bias: Gather all the old one. have all the information. When working. Strategy • Murphy's Law: It may seem like facts and just don't rely on your own Loss Aversion: Don't worry about 80% ready, go! the world is against you, but it's not. what you are losing; Consider what Authority Bias: Speak up perceptions. Catastrophizing: Your concerns regarding realistic timeframes. • Self-serving Bias: Honor your you are gaining. are real: no need to make them • Sunk Cost Fallacy: Just because Don't just defer to your boss. mistakes as much as your victories. you have invested already in your worse than they are. project, you can still move in a new direction. o Step back and look at the big picture: o Discuss workload capacity o Own your mistakes and acknowledge Build a daily practice to create a Why is this happening? o Create meeting and project efficiencies them so as to create a psychologically more positive mindset, (e.g. o Don't hang around with whiners, find o Clarify priorities safe environment gratitude) o Do important work in the first 2 hours of o Conduct post-mortem that predicts positive people Focus on small wins that help you **Actions** o Take action to secure new experience mistakes and discusses risk your day feel better o Have a personal business plan related o Improve meeting productivity o Use a failure management system Check your networks to the change o Manage the 80/20 rule o Keep track of what you learn Recognize your strengths o Expect the unexpected o Keep rebalancina o Know how to influence others to help understand challenges