Resiliency: Calming in Critical Moments

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What is Resilience?

 The ability to bounce back from negative emotional experiences and by flexible adaptation to the changing demands of stressful experiences.

• Tugade, M. M., & Fredrickson, B. L. (2004). Resilient Individuals Use Positive Emotions to Bounce Back From Negative Emotional Experiences. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 86(2), 320-333.

Benefits of Being Resilient

- Increased ability to be uncomfortable
- Connection to others
- Reduce the time we're "Out"
- Helps hold to meaning in work
- Transitions with you between work-life
- Protects against burnout

6 Pillars of Resiliency



Penn Resilience Program. (2018). Resilience Competencies. Retrieved from https://
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Self-Regulation

• The ability to <u>change</u> one's thoughts, emotions, behaviors, and physiology in the service of a desired outcome.

 The ability to <u>change</u> our thinking and feelings in times of stress.

Able to contain the stress response to the actual moment.

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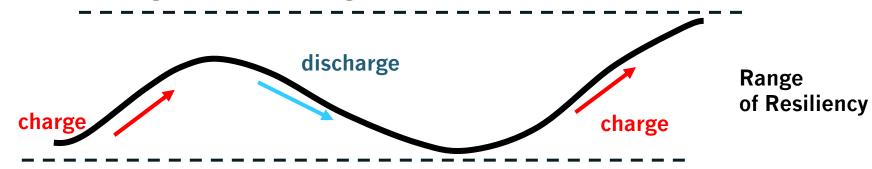
Autonomic Nervous System

(Sympathetic and Parasympathetic)

Activation – Deactivation Cycles

Sympathetic

Working, Excitement, Running



Parasympathetic

Relaxing, Digesting, Sleeping

Dysregulation Leads to Burnout



What has worked well for you and your team recently?



Self Regulation How to prime ourselves

- Start the day quietly
- Connect with others
 - Whatever that looks like now
- Back to basics:
 - Sleep, Nutrition, Exercise

Self Regulation: How to practice this

- Take better breaks
 - Orient to something pleasant
 - Nasal breathing
 - Focus on the 5 senses
 - Time with others
 - Focus on body
- Limit multitasking and inputs
- Set boundaries

Self Regulation: Goals for teams under stress

- Morning check-ins
 - Start w/ 1 min. silence
- Limit non-essential projects
- Make self-care part of your mission
 - Rest is one of those...
 - Hold each other accountable for this
 - Practice together

Self Regulation: Best practices for now

- Back to basics
 - Sleep, nutrition, exercise
- Take better (and more) breaks
- Make self-care part of your mission

See handout for reference

3 Good Things exercise



Thank you, from the team at...

