

Effective Communication

Length: 1 Day

Summary: Do you want to improve your confidence when building relationships with others? Do you sometimes find yourself struggling to get your message across clearly? Would you like to increase positive results when dealing with customers and colleagues? The ability to communicate effectively is a key skill. Organizations depend upon people being able to get their message across clearly and this course will help you to establish and maintain co-operative relationships inside and outside the workplace.

Being able to communicate will enhance every aspect of your job and personal life. People will understand you and respond more positively to you. You will encounter less resistance and frustration with your ideas. Being able to express yourself clearly and in the correct way will change the way you are seen. You will benefit from this course if you need to build relationships and want to deliver clear and effective messages.

COURSE CONTENT

COMMUNICATION STYLES

- Recognizing your style and the style of others
- Strengths and blind spots of each style

LISTENING FOR IMPROVED UNDERSTANDING: TOOLS FOR ACTIVE LISTENING

- Asking clarifying questions
- Confirming the message
- Demonstrating respect, empathy and sensitivity
- Listening for the entire message

BRIDGING COMMUNICATION STYLES IN A POSITIVE MANNER

- Closing communication gaps
- Being flexible without compromising your identity
- Be professional while communicating

INTERPRETING NONVERBAL CUES: BODY LANGUAGE

- Intonation
- Rate of speech
- Volume
- Gestures
- Facial expressions
- Posture
- Use of space
- Dress
- Eye contact

MATCHING YOUR BODY LANGUAGE TO YOUR MESSAGE

- Enhancing your message to gain your intended results
- Creating believable and credible messages
- Ensuring that your attitude supports communication
- Speaking through silence

COMMUNICATE UNDER PRESSURE

- Raising your awareness to avoid misunderstandings
- Uncovering hidden assumptions
- Overcoming personal challenges
- Recognizing filters in yourself and others under pressure
- Minimizing defensive reactions in others

THE RELATIONSHIP OF THOUGHTS, FEELINGS AND BEHAVIORS

- Handling negative feelings and the intervention process
- The fundamentals of assertiveness

INTERACTION

- Getting the most from brainstorming sessions
- Interact with other people with different communication styles and learn how to give and receive feedback in a positive way
- Gain feedback on your communication style and impact