TEAM



CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER

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LOOKING OUT FOR ONE ANOTHER



ABOUT US

Department of TRaCS is committed to:

- Provide consultation, training and counselling services to build human resilience, enhance emotional support during crisis and improve mental health literacy at the workplace.
- Conduct research on human resilience to develop practice-informed training for organisations.
- Collaborate with industries, both local and overseas, to customise and equip them with sustainable solutions to build organisational resilience.

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"THE STRENGTH OF THE TEAM IS EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER. THE STRENGTH OF EACH MEMBER IS THE TEAM."

PHIL JACKSON

Due to the fast moving nature of our work, we may feel ill prepared to assist colleagues who are experiencing distress.

Reaching out early can strengthen the resilience of your team and members.

We encourage you to cultivate the following skills to reach out to your colleague(s), especially if you are able to provide:

- An empathic listening ear
- Undivided time and attention (20-30 minutes)
- A comfortable, quiet and safe space or a secure virtual meet-up

ESSENTIAL SKILLS

Developing these three essential skills may better prepare you in gaining familiarity and confidence in reaching out to a colleague in distress:

RECOGNISE

Know when your colleague is in distress

ACT

"See something, do something."

KNOW

Have at least two trusted resources to offer



RECOGNISE

Not confident in reaching out to your colleague? This flowchart may guide your decision.

I am worried because my colleague is: Behaving differently? • Not managing their emotions well? • Not caring for their physical health? • Letting their quality of work affected? Keep track: Has this occurred... More Just than once? once? Examine Examine I am the Others I am the Others only one are also only one are also concerned concerned concerned concerned Decide Decide Share my I can Check with concerns Act observe for others if with a now awhile more this is the trusted Yes appropriate first time

support

ACT

Reach out directly to your colleague in distress or through another trusted colleague.

When reaching out directly:

- Share your concerns calmly: highlight that your motivation is to provide care and not to investigate
- State the changes you & others have noticed, from a factual point of view
- Seek to understand

CLARIFY

RESPOND

- Listen to your colleague's concerns
- Acknowledge the challenges your colleague is facing
- Offer support if your colleague is receptive - provide guided suggestions instead of advice

KNOW

Have an awareness of at least two resources.

Find out if there is any peer support system or an Employee Assistance Programme in your organisation.





EQUIP MYSELF

Check out
ReXilience courses
to further improve
supporting skills:



For more information

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Reference: National Centre for PTSD

