# WELCOME, DIVERSITY CHAMPIONS!

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USING AN AWARENESS OF INTERSECTIONALITY TO SERVE EXTENSION CLIENTELE



#### **WELCOME, JANE!**

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## COURAGEOUS CONVERSATION ABOUT RACE PROTOCOL

Courageous Conversation protocol utilizes the four agreements, six conditions, and compass in order to engage, sustain, and deepen interracial dialogue about race.

## THE COMPASS



### THE CONDITIONS

- Focus on what is personal, local and immediate
- 2. Isolate race
- 3. Normalize social construction and multiple perspectives
- 4. Monitor agreements and conditions. Establish parameters
- 5. Use a "working definition" for race
- 6. Examine the presence and role of "Whiteness."

## THE AGREEMENTS

- Stay engaged
- Speak your truth
- Experience discomfort
- Expect and accept non-closure

#### **UNDERSTANDING INTERSECTIONALITY**

#### **PART 1:**

What might be some factors that are impacting the clients that you serve, today, in June 2020? Please list as many as you can imagine could be present.

#### Example:

- 1. Loss of employment, current or impending
- 2. Experiencing acts of racism in their community

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#### **PART 2:**

For **each** entry in your previous list, brainstorm some possible services that could alleviate that particular factor.

#### Example:

1. Loss of employment, current or impending

a.

b.

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#### **PART 3:**

Was it challenging or satisfying to maintain boundaries between the factors, why or why not?

If we consider ALL of the factors simultaneously, much as our clients need to do in order to navigate their lives, what changes?

Might we achieve better IMPACTS from our excellent INTENTIONS for our clients by considering their lives through a lens of intersectionality?

## **NEXT CONVERSATION: TUESDAY, JULY 7, 10:00 AM**

**Expanding Access:** Join us next month for a conversation about OSU resources available to help us work towards an Extension Service that is equally accessible to all.

Homework: Read Chapter 8: Keeping Us All at the Table

If you have any questions or need additional one-on-one conversation, please don't hesitate to reach out!