

## RESPECTFUL COMMUNICATION GUIDELINES

**R**= take RESPONSIBILITY for what you say and feel without blaming others.

**E**= use EMPATHETIC listening

**S**= be SENSITIVE to differences in communication styles.

**P**= PONDER what you hear and feel before you speak.

**E**= EXAMINE your own assumptions and perceptions.

**C**= keep CONFIDENTIALITY

**T**= TRUST ambiguity because we are not here to debate who is right or wrong.

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