ADR LUNCHTIME SERIES PRESENTATION

Unconscious Bias and the Mediation/ADR Process

This session focuses on strategies, issues, and insights into how Unconscious Bias impacts our perceptions, beliefs, and behaviors in today's workplace. Real-world case studies and current research are provided to increase awareness of the elements of the Mediation/ADR process that may be impacted by biased communication and perception. The discussion includes: 6 ways Unconscious Bias sneaks into our language, perception, and decisions; techniques for avoiding the "Pygmalion Effect"; why we underestimate how universal stereotypes are; and how the same behavior can have different meanings to different observers.

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