



OPM's Leadership Webinar Series

Building Community in a Virtual Space

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Strategic Alignment



President's Management Agenda Key Driver of Transformation

People – Workforce for the 21st Century



OPM Strategic Plan Initiatives

- Improve integration and communication of OPM services to Federal agencies
- Optimize Agency Performance





Norms

- Have access to chat box and be ready to type.
- Avoid possible disruptions for others by refraining from taking other calls or participating in other work activities.
- Participate actively with full presence.
- Ask for what you need (on chat).



About Maria Morukian



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- Facilitator and coach
- Held leadership positions with Management Concepts, State Department, and National MultiCultural Institute
- Faculty at American University



Use the Chat: How are you feeling today?

Be creative. Use words or phrases to describe your emotional state today. *(think of a color, animal, object, historical reference, etc)*

Only rule: You can't actually use an emotion word! *(No "happy", "calm", "angry")*



Building Community Starts With Compassion



“The greatness of a **community** is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.”

~ **Coretta Scott King**

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Impact of Loneliness





Maintaining Social Connection in a Time of Physical Distancing

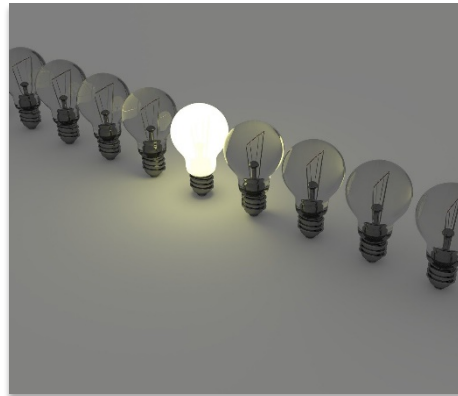




Sample Practices for Building Community



“Inside Scoop”



“Hi-Per” Activity Award



“Q10”



Tips for Leaders

- Communicate MORE
- Prioritize people over tasks
- Acknowledge emotions, yours and others'
- Hold conversations to listen and empathize



Answer in the Chat

What practices can we engage in to build community in a virtual space?



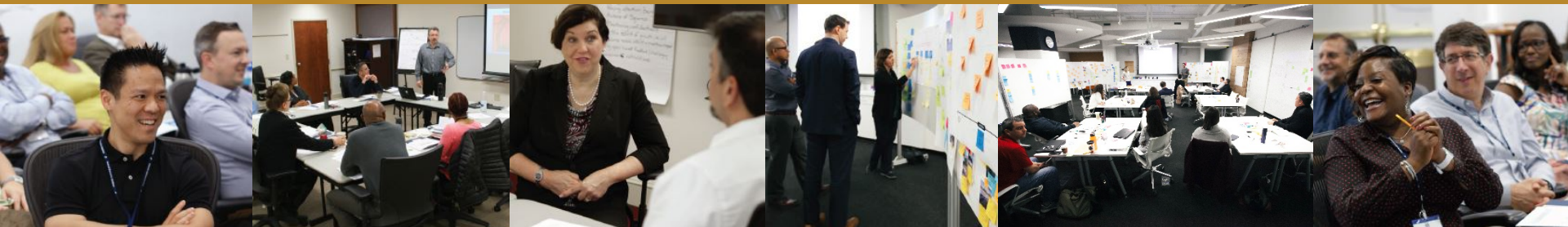
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