## LEADING WITH LOVE IN LONG TERM CARE:

**Effectuating an Accountable Culture, Job Satisfaction and Better Quality of Care** 

What is Love? .....

(baby don't hurt me)

The broader question is:

How does it work in our facilities

# What it means and how it works

- Working as a team with good communication
- ▶ Putting others before yourself
- ► Focusing on humanity
- NOT sweeping problems under the rug
- ► Support, accountability, trust
- Willing to listen

### WHAT IS THE FACILITY/ WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENT

- Do team members feel supported
- Is there a definitive hierarchy
- Is the environment heavy on politics
- ► Is it accurate?

### PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY

- Amy Edmonson (Harvard)
- Medical filed research doc/nurses
- Comfort level re mistakes
- Willingness to share
- Less likely to repeat mistakes

# 120 DAYS – NO INJURIES/ACCIDENTS! KEEP IT UP!

(disaster waiting to happen...)

### CREATES A CULTURE OF FEAR

Fear stops us from sharing – who wants to be the one who breaks the chain?

Creates the opposite effect of feeling good about "no mistakes"

Good intentioned but in this culture, the "accident" is the failure

\* Failure to share

\* No opportunity to learn a meaningful lesson

\* Aides tend to get the brunt of the "bad publicity" and as such, without a supportive environment, cover ups occur and lessons aren't shared

### MINDSET IS CONTAGIOUS

Three Essentials Attitudes:

➤ Flyer – you just leave/no skin the game, "I'm out of here"; avoidance

Fighter – distracts and deflects "It's not me, it's you!

Influencer – finds ways to support and teach others; approaches with curiosity rather than conflict

# **INCLUSION**

- CEO to Janitorial staff
- Creates loyalty, innovation, creativity, empathy
- Retention

### BE AWARE, BE AN ALLY

- Watch for those who need a voice
- Acknowledge
- Listen

### JUMP IN THE HOLE

- Apathetic "what are you doing in that hole? Get out, there's work to do!"
- ► Sympathetic "I'm sorry you are in that hole. That's terrible."
- Empathetic \*jumps in the hole\*

  "Alright, let's get out of here. How can I help?"

### SIGNS OF TRUST

\* team members know that deficiencies won't be used against them

\* quick to resolve disputes/conflicts w/each other

\* act without concern for protecting themselves

### FACILITY BENEFITS

- \* Consistent care
- \* Staffing retention
- \* Burn-out lowered
- \* Fewer claims
- \* Staff working with all teams