# Burnout Recovery: Applying Holistic Leadership to Support the Mountain Plains Behavioral Health Workforce

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STRENGTHS-BASED AND HOPEFUL

INCLUSIVE AND ACCEPTING OF DIVERSE CULTURES, GENDERS, PERSPECTIVES, AND EXPERIENCES Inviting to individuals participating in their OWN JOURNEYS

PERSON-FIRST AND FREE OF LABELS

NON-JUDGMENTAL AND AVOIDING ASSUMPTIONS

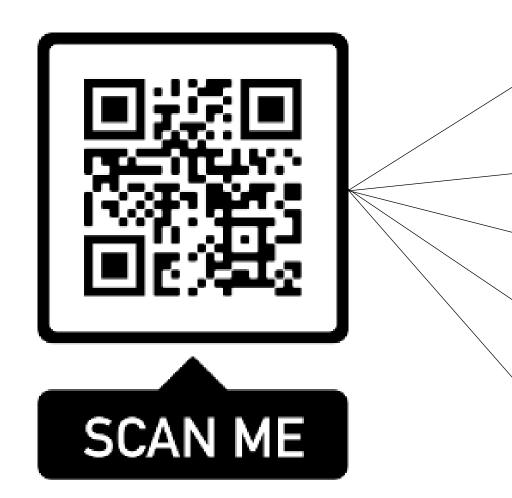
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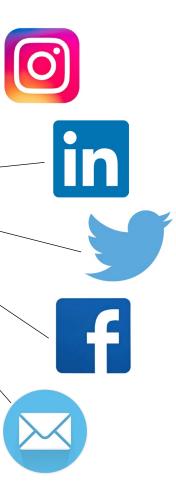
HEALING-CENTERED AND TRAUMA-RESPONSIVE CONSISTENT WITH OUR ACTIONS, POLICIES, AND PRODUCTS

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**BURNOUT RECOVERY APPLYING HOLISTIC** LEADERSHIP TO SUPPORT THE MOUNTAIN PLAINS **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH** WORKFORCE LAMARR LEWIS, LEWIS FAMILY CONSULTING AND **MOUNTAIN PLAINS MHTTC** 

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

• Describe how attention to holistic wellness can reduce Behavioral health workforce burnout and impact on the lives of their communities.

- Learn ways to apply resilience and compassion as a part of their leadership style to nurture, promote, and cultivate healthier work environments.
- Develop increased self-awareness to recognize how strengths, aptitudes, and potential areas of growth can impact day-to-day functioning and work outcomes

Big Question to Answer:

How do we lead ourselves holistically AND support our teams dealing with burnout?

### QUOTE TO PONDER

"This is, in fact, the first obligation of a leader and a decision maker. Our job is not to "go with our gut" or fixate on the first impression we form about an issue. No, we need to be strong enough to resist thinking that is too neat, too plausible, and therefore almost always wrong."

"Because if the leader can't take the time to develop a clear sense of the bigger picture, who will? If the leader isn't thinking through all the way to the end, who is?" -Ryan Holiday, "Stillness is Key"

### WHAT IS BURNOUT?



# HOLISTIC LEADERSHIP

Leadership

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Leadership is a balance between managing the business and leading people

people-equation.com

# RESILIENCE

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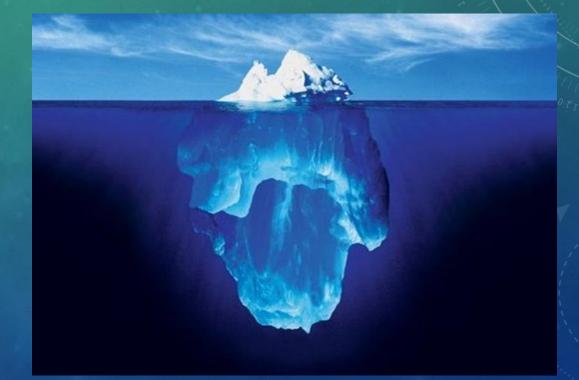
#### <u>3 R's</u> 1. Recognition

- 2. Response
- 3. Recovery

#### The Resilient Ratio: 7:8

# COMPASSION

CUE • Concern • Understanding • Empathy



## **SELF-AWARENESS**



PARK Pause and Reflect Kindly

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# MODELING WELLNESS

You as a leader, are leading a WHOLE person, not just an employee or staff. You as a leader ARE a WHOLE person not just manager, director, etc.



## IN CONCLUSION...

- Holistic Leadership
  - Compassion
    - Resilience
  - Self-Awareness



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## STAY IN TOUCH!!!



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