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- Dr. Atira Charles is CEO of *The Charles Consulting Group*, a boutique consulting firm focusing on issues of diversity, inclusion, and wellness. She began her academic journey at Florida A&M University, which is where she earned both her B.S. in Finance and her Masters of Business Administration. Dr. Charles immediately began her career in academia, after graduating with her Ph.D. in Organizational Behavior and Management from Arizona State University.
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BLINDSPOTS

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BFcjfqmVah8





IDENTITY



CREATING A PSYCHOLOGICALLY SAFE CLIMATE & CULTURE

The Psychology of Threat

Do I feel safe being who I am?

The Psychology of Affirmation

• Am I valued, heard, and seen?

Organizational & Societal Triggers



ALLYSHIP IS ABOUT SHARING...

- Power
- Privilege
- Network
- Resources
- Opportunities
- Information
- Respect
- Social Capital



INCLUSIVE LEADERSHIP STRATEGIES

- Understand the history and psychology of race
- Analysis of systems and procedures
- Incorporating the voice and feedback of ALL voices...at ALL levels
- Redistribution of resources an opportunities to enable equity
- Believe your people
- Hold people accountable with consequences...and reward



HR PITFALLS TO AVOID

Objectivity –vs- Subjectivity

Facts –vs- Opinions

Patterns –vs- Emotions

Qualitative Analysis –vs- Quantitative Analysis

Awareness –vs- Defensiveness

Collectivistic –vs- Ego Centric



THOUGHTS... REFLECTIONS... QUESTIONS...





Rethinking Diversity & Inclusion as a Health Dilemma Dr. Atira Charles on YouTube

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