COACHING WITH COMPASSION: STRATEGIES FOR DEVELOPING AND ENERGIZING OTHERS

Coaching has become an increasingly important tool for managers and executives to inspire and develop people. In contrast to more traditional management roles—still essential to accountability and performance—coaching provides an approach for deeply engaging with others on a new level, one that opens perspectives and encourages self-directed change. It is through effective coaching that leaders are able to assist their employees and organization in reaching new heights.

An emerging contrast in coaching is the approach of coaching with compassion versus coaching for compliance. Each approach arouses somewhat different psycho-physiological systems and has an impact on a person’s openness. Each affects the likelihood of sustained behavioral change. Coaching with compassion is believed to stimulate better cognitive functioning, increased perceptual openness to ideas, emotions and people, positive emotional states, increased immune health, and reverse some of the damage from chronic stress.

This session will highlight the latest findings and practices on coaching featuring the work of thought leaders from the Weatherhead School of Management’s Department of Organizational Behavior. This interactive day of learning will explore a distinctive approach to executive coaching in developing and energizing others. Grounded in the principles of Dr. Richard Boyatzis’ theory of intentional change, this approach to coaching leverages the individual’s personal aspirations and desires to bring about sustained, desired change.

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UNDERSTAND HOW TO COACH OTHERS FOR SUSTAINABLE CHANGE.

APPRECIATE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN COACHING WITH COMPASSION AND COACHING FOR COMPLIANCE.

LEARN HOW COACHING WITH COMPASSION IS A SOURCE OF RENEWAL FOR THE COACH, AS WELL AS A SOURCE OF DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PERSON BEING COACHED.