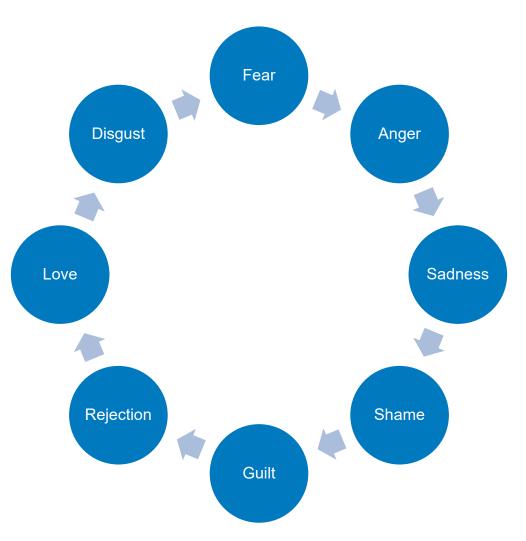
## MANAGING STRONG EMOTIONS

### A HEALTH AND WELLNESS PRESENTATION FROM YOUR EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



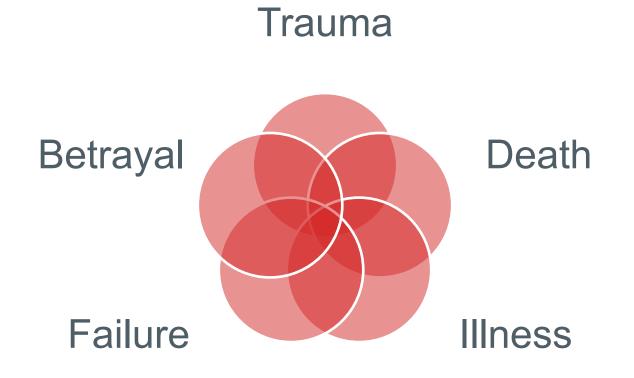
### **STRONG EMOTIONS**





### TO BE EXPECTED.....

Strong emotions are natural and normal during times of crisis such as:



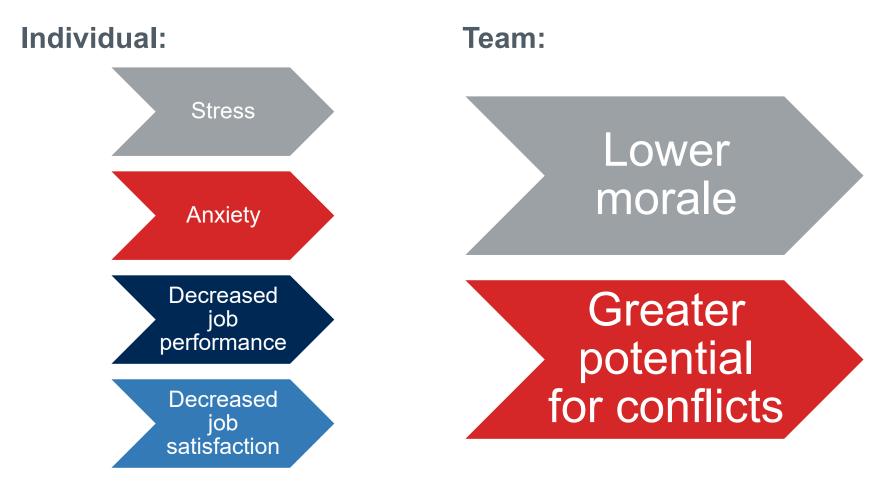


### **IDENTIFY:**





## IMPACT OF UNMANAGED EMOTIONS IN THE WORKPLACE





### AVOID . . .

Saying and doing things that you will regret, such as:





### DISTRACTION

Takes the "edge off"

Not an escape or denial of the feeling

Eventually return to the feeling, but the intensity has reduced Examples:

Breathing exercises

Chores

Movies

Hobbies

Exercise

Mindfulness or meditation

Napping

Games







# When you've needed to take a time out, what did you do?



### **SELF-SOOTHE**

#### Get in touch with your senses

Taste	Sucking on hard candy, chewing gum, or sipping herbal tea
Sight	Watching a peaceful scene or purposefully looking for colors
<b>Sound</b>	Listening to calming music
- Touch	Soaking in a warm bath, stretching, or playing with a pet
Smell	Inhaling relaxing scents like lavender



### **CONSTRUCTIVE COMMUNICATION**





### **SUMMARY**

Managing our emotions:



Gives us a higher selfconfidence



Allows us to get along better with others

Grants us better career advancement



### **THANK YOU**



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