Top 5 Principles for Communication and Conflict Management in the Workplace

- 1. Lead by example: Maintain/facilitate constructive working relationships with managers, peers and your employees.
- 2. Maintain your self-confidence, self-esteem and respect toward others.
- 3. Focus on the situation, issue or behavior not on the person.

Do not personalize the conflict as an initiator or receiver. Minimize blaming.

- 4. Examine your role in the communication conflict and be willing to adjust your style to facilitate a productive outcome.
- 5. Take initiative to make things better through consistent words and actions.